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Local veteran to compete in the Invictus Games

VETERAN Jeff Robinson from Llantwit Major is preparing to travel to Sydney on Monday, October 15 as part of Team GB at this year's Invictus Games which take place on October 20 – 27.

The 72-strong squad includes seven competitors from Wales, all of whom have experienced physical or mental wounds as a result of their military service and have been chosen because of the impact taking part will have on their recovery journey.

Former Flight Sergeant Jeff (49) lives in Llantwit Major. He was discharged from the RAF in 2010.

"During my time serving I sustained a number of serious injuries. Each time, it took longer and more support to recover.

"Invictus Games 2018 gives me that continued support at every training session and match played; with the opportunity to not only help me in my recovery, but now to also be able to assist and mentor others who are just starting out on their recovery journey.

"I continue to use sport and physical activity as a major tool in my recovery. I also train on a weekly basis with the Ospreys Wheelchair Rugby Club. Invictus has given me the confidence to return to work and study, having recently completed a NEBOSH course."

Jeff has taken part on a Help for Heroes Wales Sports Recovery session at Llandow in the Vale, where he spoke about the support he has received from the charity in his recovery journey.

Speaking about the karting session Jeff said: "The thrill of it is incredible. It's the first time I put a helmet on since I broke my back and neck." The karting experience is just one element of the support Jeff has received from Help for Heroes.

"I did last year's Invictus Games and I'm going again this year, doing wheelchair rugby. Help for Heroes have been phenomenal. I wasn't doing a great deal before I got involved with them and the opportunity came to trial for Invictus and it's gone on from there.

"I've gone back to study and I've gone back to work as well. It's been so positive."

Help for Heroes has a dedicated team in Wales, offering an holistic range of support to military personnel who have been affected by their service. Sports activities, modelmaking, one to one key workers and clinical liaison are among the services available through the Wales Community Support Office in Treforest.

The team of 72 competitors selected to represent the UK at the Invictus Games Sydney 2018 is made up of wounded, injured and sick (WIS) serving military personnel and veterans.

More hopefuls than ever before, 451 WIS military personnel and veterans, trialled 11 sports for one of the 72 places available on Team UK.

The selection process for Team UK was based on the benefit the Invictus Games will give an individual as part of their recovery, combined with performance and commitment to training.

The team will compete in 11 sports: Athletics; Archery; Wheelchair Basketball; Cycling; Powerlifting; Indoor Rowing; Wheelchair Rugby; Swimming, Sitting Volleyball, Wheelchair Tennis and a new sport for 2018, Sailing.

They will continue to train in various locations across the country as part of Help for Heroes' Sports Recovery programme.

Will Cowbridge have your high street vote?

Taking the message onto the street.

THE closing date for you to vote for your favourite high street is fast approaching, and Cowbridge high-street retailers are, quite reasonably, hoping GEM readers will back their bid for the town to receive the crown of Great British High Street 2018.

The town will now go head to head with 11 other locations across the UK, including Cardigan and Narberth, for the chance to be named this year's Rising Star winner and to claim up to £10,000 for its local community.

The Great British High Street Awards are set to take place at a ceremony in London this November with winners from all three categories set to be announced.

Not voted yet? Turn to page 5 for the full story and all the details of how to vote.

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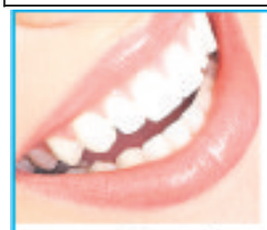

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Is latest Barry development just taking the easy option?

I READ with interest your September 13 article on the future possible use of the Gwalia buildings on Hood Road, Barry, consisting of the proposed conversion with businesses using modified shipping containers to trade from.

(Really?) It does appear that an easy option has been sought. The financial fitting out expenditure can be kept minimal and while such containers may have a certain uniqueness – while providing a lucrative financial return – any architectural merit will certainly detract from that of the 1880s building's exterior.

While not against the possible use as café/bars etc, why could there not be more integrated leisure use utilising the whole interior area rather than providing container space? Comparison to some extent can be made, firstly, within Bristol's harbourside area.

Former 1880s era transit sheds are now the Watershed complex housing three cinema screens, café/bars, event/conference spaces, media studio and office space on the upper level and bars/restaurants on ground floor while Cargo, a shipping container retail yard has its own location as part of a wider redeveloped area within Wapping Wharf.

Secondly, Cardiff Tramshed, dating from early 1900s has been converted to a cinema, music venue, café/bar. The company concerned with prior redevelopment reportedly confirmed it would consult with the local community to see how the plans could most benefit local people.

Unfortunately, consultation with the Barry/Vale community in respect of redevelopment of buildings such as the Gwalia rarely happens.

The Theatre Royal Cinema Barry closed in 2008. A new build multiplex at Barry Island failed to materialise. At the time of looking for a use when the Pumphouse was to be marketed, the inner space could have provided a three screen cinema.

Instead a retail/residential development was chosen but at least some thought was put into how best the space could be utilised.

Barry is long overdue for a museum reflecting the town's history and a modern leisure complex, ie, cinema, bowling, bingo and with Waterfront space running out, we are in danger of not realising any of these.

Paul Sutton, Barry.

'LGBT community should not waste public resources'

I READ Nia Thomas's letter in the September 27 edition of The GEM, 'Reader asks: What could be divisive about MajorPride?'

This was the expected 'hurt' response by the LGBT fraternity to remarks previously expressed by other correspondents. If you have any beliefs other than those supporting LGBT, then you appear not to be entitled to share these views and are a bigot.

Some people just don't want to hear things that disagree with their ideology.

What does the LBGT community want exactly? They have achieved equality in law, civil partnerships, same-sex marriage and even policies introduced in schools to promote their creed.

The divisiveness comes from upsetting a large proportion of the population constantly having their dogma forced on them through the media, be it television, radio or newspapers etc.

Is it really necessary to have street parades also? Is it trying to justify a guilt complex perhaps? Stop trying to convince the rest of us that it is all very acceptable.

I'm with the ex-Mayor on this (who supported many deserving charities during her tenure). If individuals choose a particular lifestyle, then follow it in your own space and don't waste valuable resources or try to force it onto the general public at every opportunity.

Doug Mountain, Llantwit Major.

Are our councillors really looking after Barrians' interests?

I READ the item in The GEM of October 4 on the proposed Gypsy and Traveller site at Hayeswood Road, Barry.

How much more can the people of Barry take? We have already had the monstrosity of an incinerator thrust upon us, another similar proposal at Cog Road, and now a Gypsy and Ttraveller site – none of which are wanted in what is becoming a dying, sad town. Just take a look at the pathetic shopping centre on Holton Road.

I have been living in Barry for nearly 40 years and Holton Road has hardly changed at all.

This speaks volumes, don't you think? All this is down to the Vale councillors who are supposed to represent and look after us. They are just a laughing stock and make us look fools.

They have given us another council rates rise, predicted to be 2.5 per cent, probably to pay for the Gypsy/Traveller site.

I propose they put the Gypsies on a greenfield site alongside Five Mile Lane – let everyone have a bite of the cherry, not just the poor people of Barry.

By the way, it is only the people of Barry who can make a difference.Find out who these councillors are and vote them out!

Brian Bishop, Barry.

Cardiff half-marathon deaths: tributes paid

CARDIFF Half Marathon organisers, Run 4 Wales, named the two men who died after taking part in the event on Sunday as 25-year-old Ben McDonald from the Vale of Glamorgan and 32-year-old Dean Fletcher from Exeter.

Both Ben and Dean suffered cardiac arrests at the finish line after completing the race.

It was the first time Ben had run the Cardiff Half Marathon, while Dean chose to run the race for the second time, in the city where he met his wife Katie.

Run 4 Wales said Ben had 'grasped the challenge of the Cardiff Half Marathon with typical positivity' as he set out to complete the race alongside girlfriend Amy, brothers Steve and Andrew, brother-in-law Paddy and sisters-in-law Kate and Alix.

In his memory, Ben's family are raising funds for the Kivulini Maternity Centre in Tanzania.

Run 4 Wales chief executive Matt Newman said: "This is a terrible tragedy for the families. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to the family and friends of both Ben and Dean."

Reader raises a burning issue

ALL responsible GEM readers will have heard the latest report on the alarming changes in the composition of the atmosphere, and the consequent threat to the environment for our children and their descendants.

One answer to the question, 'What can I do?' is 'Don't light another bonfire'.

Every bonfire releases more heat and carbon dioxide to an already overloaded atmosphere, as well as millions of black particles, which help to darken the reflective surface of Greenland and other icefields.

Disappointed children could be recruited as 'air carers' who can help sort and dispose of the unburned bonfire material – it's their air we need to care for!

Patrick Whelan, St Hilary.

BCBC chief exec to leave post

DARREN Mepham, the chief executive of Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC), has announced that he intends to leave the authority in early 2019.

Mr Mepham has accepted a new role as chief executive for Barnet and Southgate College in North London. He will continue to act as chief executive at the council before leaving in January.

Mr Mepham said: "This has not been an easy decision as I enjoy working here at Bridgend County Borough Council.

'Flawed' system is disadvantageous for Welsh farmers

SHADOW Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Andrew RT Davies, paid a visit to Glamorgan FUW in Cowbridge last week to discuss the Welsh Government's 'Brexit and our Land' consultation.

The South Wales Central AM met members of the Executive Committee and had a lively chat about the consultation, which closes on October 30.

Recent figures show that over the last 30 years, the percentage of home produced food in Britain has fallen from 75 per cent to 61 per cent.

Despite this, the consultation document places little emphasis on combating volatility in the sector, with no measures to improve food security.

The FUW have raised concerns that the Welsh Government's plans could put Wales at a disadvantage compared with the rest of the UK – something Mr Davies said would be disastrous for Welsh farming.

Mr Davies said: "We are at a crucial point in determining the future direction of the agricultural industry in Wales and it was beneficial to meet members of Glamorgan FUW and hear their views.

"The current funding round of the Common Agricultural Policy, a fundamentally flawed system, has put Welsh farmers at a disadvantage. We now have an opportunity to put this right and it is one we simply must take.

"The Welsh Government's consultation includes some glaring omissions – particularly regarding food security – and it is vital these are addressed.

"Now is the time to stop the talking and start the doing. We need to plan and invest in the production of our food if we want to avoid empty supermarket shelves."

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HIGH TIDE TIMES
(UNTIL OCTOBER 18)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

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11 Thur	08.39	10.3	20.57	10.3
12 Fri	09.15	10.2	21.32	10.1
13 Sat	09.49	9.8	22.07	9.5
14 Sun	10.23	9.3	22.41	8.9
15 Mon	10.59	8.7	23.18	8.3
16 Tues	11.44	8.1		
17 Wed	00.08	7.6	12.46	7.4
18 Thur	01.27	7.2	14.21	7.3

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Parents go on the run for school

A GROUP of Cylch Meithrin Y Bont-Faen parents recently completed the Cancer Research Cowbridge 10k race.

Their aim was threefold: to raise money for Cancer Research UK; raise money for an extension to the existing Cylch premises; and raise the Cylch's profile locally.

The event began a year of fundraising for the Cylch, a Welsh-medium nursery for children from the age of two up to school age from both Welsh and non-Welsh-speaking families.

The building is in need of an extension so that the Cylch can increase its capacity of Welsh-medium early years provision in Cowbridge and the surrounding villages.

The fundraising will continue with a concert featuring Côrdydd, a Cardiff-based mixed choir, in the Town Hall on Friday, November 23 at 7.30pm. Tickets (£10) are available from the Cylch on 01446 776250.

Guilty verdict for man who made death threat over wall

VIOLENCE erupted during a boundary wall dispute when a man had broken pieces of concrete thrown at his head and was told he would be killed.

Cardiff Crown Court heard that the attacker, 57-year-old Brian Hoskins, had been convicted of an offence of attempted murder in 1988 and received a nine-year sentence.

Hoskins had been convicted at Cardiff Magistrates Court of assaulting 75-year-old Nigel Tee and of witness intimidation, and had been committed to the crown court for sentence.

He was jailed for 12 months, suspended for 18 months and ordered to observe a two-month curfew between 8pm and 7am. In addition, he was directed to pay costs of £960.

Prosecutor Nuhu Gobir said the two men lived in Pascoes Avenue, Bridgend, and had known each other for 16 years.

For some time there had been a dispute about a boundary wall and Mr Tee alleged that Hoskins' daughter had damaged some of his plant pots.

On Friday, August 10, at about 12.20 pm, he was in his garden when he was drenched with water which caused him to stumble with shock, and to be stunned and confused.

He then saw the defendant standing above him laughing and saying: "I am trying to cool you down", holding an empty three-gallon dustbin.

Hoskins told him: "If my daughter goes to court I will kill you."

He then added: "I am telling you I'll ****ing kill you if my daughter goes to court" and he began throwing pieces of concrete flagstone at him, injuring his forearm and elbow.

The victim backed off to a safe distance and heard Hoskins say: "****ing call the police, I don't care."

He was arrested and denied the allegations and said he didn't know why the arrest had been made.

In a victim statement, Mr Tee said he lived in fear and didn't know what Hoskins would do next.

He described him as sly and devious and claimed he had stolen his CCTV cameras installed for protection.

The court heard there had been a civil action regarding the retaining wall which left the defendant £48,500 out of pocket.

His counsel, Andrew Taylor, said that for the last seven weeks, Hoskins had lived with an aunt in Ogmore Road, Ewenny.

Mr Taylor said: "He still owes £20,000 of the previous court costs and accepts he should move.

"He has been steeling himself for a possible prison sentence. This was very much a 'one-off' incident."

Judge Jeremy Jenkins told Hoskins: "It is always very sad when neighbours fall out. It can lead to bitter irritability and can lead to violence.

"To issue such threats was very serious and for someone with a previous conviction for attempted murder it was pernicious.

"You should realise you have committed serious offences."

The judge imposed a five-year restraining order preventing Hoskins contacting Mr Tee in any way.

Tony Sicluna, Court Reporter

'Paediatric services are safe' insists health board

CARDIFF and Vale University Health Board has apologised after a review found children suffered injuries during surgery – but insists services are safe.

The Royal College of Surgeons (RCS) investigated 18 paediatric surgical cases between 2013 and 2017 which identified similar concerns through hospitals' complaints processes.

It came after a number of complaints about 'cultural and behavioural issues' in the department and concerns from other departments such as radiology and the paediatric intensive care unit.

The cases involved a number of different paediatric surgeons including locum and experienced consultants. The RCS investigation highlighted concerns in six of the 18 cases. No child died in any of these cases.

In two of these, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board was already in the 'Putting Things Right' process for managing concerns, having already identified it "did not give optimum care" and had apologised to the families involved, a board meeting on September 27 was told.

In the third case the review found that although closer post-operative management was needed, the outcome for the child would not have changed. The RCS asked the health board to carry out further reviews on three children – in two cases it found the care provided was reasonable.

But in one case the board 'did feel we had failed that child and their family' – who are now in a 'Putting Things Right' process, executive nurse director Ruth Walker told the meeting.

Mrs Walker has said paediatric surgical services at the University Hospital of Wales (UHW) in Heath, Cardiff, have been reviewed following the findings and are safe. The board said it had been in contact with all families where harm has been identified.

Between 2013 and 2017 more than 5,200 children had surgery at UHW – which meant these cases represent 0.3 per cent of the total number of children who were operated on in this time period.

She said: "We would like to reassure families, patients and the public that there is no need to be concerned with the paediatric surgery at the University Hospital of Wales and that our services are safe.

"In line with good governance we identified a cluster of concerns with similar themes through our staff speaking up and our incident, complaints and claims process within paediatric surgery. This led to a request that the Royal College of Surgeons independently review 18 paediatric surgical cases that had taken place between 2013 and 2017.

"All families and/or their representatives have been contacted under Welsh Government's 'Putting Things Right' (protocol) and there is no reason to believe this issue is wider than the cases identified.

"We have accepted the report and the recommendations and have worked hard to improve processes to reduce the risks raised."

The RCS report highlighted issues around lack of consultant reviews which contributed to failures to manage post-operative complications which also led to unnecessary delays.

There were also concerns about handovers and joint working between the paediatric surgeons and paediatric gastroenterology departments.

In response the health board says it has implemented a number of recommendations made by the RCS, including hiring six new paediatric surgeons, with plans to appoint a seventh in November, designating time for handovers in consultant rotas and improving relationships between departments.

Paediatric surgery is now no longer doing elective work while running an emergency on-call service, as recommended in the report.

The RCS in March 2018 told the board they are "satisfied and assured" improvements are being made.

Maria Battle, chairwoman of Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, apologised to the families involved at Thursday's meeting. She said: "We apologise to those children who have suffered harm. We have ensured that the services are safe.

"It's an opportunity to learn where issues have been raised for quite some time."

Matt Discombe, Local democracy reporter

The Strong Communities fund 'benefits local groups'

THE Vale Council has committed another £100,000 to community initiatives in the County through its Strong Communities Grant Fund, taking the total spend on such projects to £428,000 since April last year.

In line with the council's corporate plan, the £670,000 fund was set up to support innovative and sustainable schemes across the Vale.

Among those that successfully gained funding this time were Llandough Community Council, who will receive just under £45,000 for a new village multi-use games area, while funding was also awarded towards a kitchen as part of a brand new Ogmore-by-Sea village hall.

Colwinston Community Hall Association is set for a £14,000 investment in a new children's play area and £2,000 will go towards a Ty Cadoc Residents Association community gardens project.

A Vale Council spokesman said: "The purpose of the Strong Communities Fund is to enable community groups, the third sector and town and community councils to apply for funding that promotes initiatives within the Vale consistent with the Council's vision of 'Strong communities with a bright future'."

Cllr John Thomas, Leader of the Vale Council and member of the Strong Communities Grant Fund evaluation panel, said: "I'm thrilled that we have been able to support even more worthwhile projects in the latest round of funding allocation.

"This fund was established to support initiatives that will make a real difference to communities within the Vale and I'm excited to see the impact this money will have on the schemes that were successful this time around.

"These grants are part of an ongoing commitment from the council to help grassroots initiatives, a commitment that has already seen a spend in excess of £400,000, with more money to be allocated later in the year."

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A 1916 court martial revisited in Cowbridge

COWBRIDGE U3A History Group recently welcomed one of its stalwart members, Gavin Davies, who gave a presentation on the court martial in November 1916 of Sub Lieutenant Edwin Dyett, a member of the Nelson Battalion of the Royal Naval Division (sailors who fought on land as soldiers).

In a departure from the usual talks, Gavin presented the audience with the evidence heard at the trial, when notes from the hearing were distributed and members were asked to form small groups to give their verdicts on the case.

Edwin Dyett was born into a middle class family in Albany Road, Cardiff; his father was a cousin of Sir John French, who was Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force (BEF) for the first year and a half of the First World War.

In one of the last major attacks of the Somme battle, the Royal Naval Division were tasked with capturing the villages of Beaucourt and Beaumont Hamel, which had been objectives on the first day of the campaign, almost four and a half months earlier on July 1.

Dyett and another officer called Truscott were ordered forward to the front line from the battalion reserve to replace officer casualties (19 out of 20 had been killed or wounded).

Near Beaucourt station, Dyett and Truscott were ordered by an officer, Herring, to take stragglers back to the front. Although older, Herring was not senior to Dyett and the two men argued.

It would seem that they already had a poor relationship and being given orders from a subordinate was possibly the final straw for Dyett.

While Truscott led troops back to the front line, Dyett said he was returning to headquarters (HQ) for further orders.

It was, however, two days later that Dyett arrived at HQ, after wandering around the battlefield, lost, according to his account.

Edwin Dyett's grave at Le Crotoy communal cemetery.

Dyett was charged with desertion on active service and a court martial was ordered. Significantly, no officer in his own battalion was prepared to defend Dyett.

Edwin Dyett had, it seems, a highly neurotic temperament, and had felt for some time that he was not suited to leading troops in the field.

He had requested a transfer on four occasions to a shipboard post. As he had never been in action, shellshock was not a reason for his behaviour.

Sub Lieutenant Herring appeared in court and gave evidence that Dyett had not seemed afraid nor gave any indication that he would desert. He also confirmed the story of returning to HQ.

Dyett, who pleaded 'not guilty', declined to enter the witness box or call any witnesses on his behalf.

All the audience panels found Dyett guilty of desertion, but only one advocated the imposition of the death penalty.

The majority favoured a dishonourable discharge, followed by imprisonment.

What of the actual court martial? The verdict was that of guilty, with a sentence of death by shooting. The panel recommended mercy, on account of Dyett's youth (he had just turned 21) and his not being a strong character.

The divisional commander upheld the plea for clemency, but the corps commander and finally, Field Marshal Haig, ordered the sentence to be carried out.

Edwin Dyett was shot by firing squad at 7.45am on January 5, 1917 at St Firmin. His last words, it is reported, were 'For God's sake, shoot straight'.

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Choir sings in historic Vale church

FOLLOWING an open rehearsal at their sponsors, The Place for Homes, in Llandow, Cowbridge Male Voice Choir performed a concert in Cardiff.

On this occasion, the choir combined with Cathays Brass to perform *Finlandia*, for the first time in public. Also in the night's repertoire were 'An American Trilogy' and 'Gwahoddiad' – well received by a delighted audience.

Next, the choir were in concert at the Church of St Cadoc in Llancarfan, where the choir were raising funds for the church. It was inspiring to perform in such beautiful surroundings to a very receptive audience.

The choir will now return to basics and continue their regular rehearsals at Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge, on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. They always welcome new members to come along, and either listen or sit in on rehearsals.

The choir's next concert will be at Holy Cross Church on November 23 as part of the Christmas festivities organised by the Church.

However, before that the choir is organising a fashion show in Holy Cross Church on Thursday, October 18 commencing at 7.30 pm. Tickets (£7.50 including a glass of wine) are available from Barnes Drycleaners, Cowbridge or any choir member. Tickets will also be available on the door.

The fashions are being provided by Samantha B of Eweny and the choir is grateful for her continued support.

Lovely afternoon out for the Friendship Club

WE don't know how they do it, but every year for their annual outing members of the Cowbridge Friendship Club manage to pick a beautiful afternoon and where better to spend it but on the promenade at Porth-cawl.

Although it was a couple of days before the Elvis Festival in Porthcawl there wasn't an Elvis in sight, much to the disappointment of some of the ladies but they enjoyed the afternoon: some walking along the prom while others took the more leisurely approach by managing to find a seat and enjoy the scenery.

The Greenlinks coach then took them to the Grove Golf Club, not to play a round of golf but to enjoy their afternoon tea. Everyone agreed it was a very pleasant and enjoyable afternoon.

The Cowbridge Friendship Club meet on the last Thursday of the month so if anyone would like more information they can phone 01446 774524. **AS**

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Harvest Festival in Colwinston

THE rural village church of St Michael is surrounded by farmland so it was fitting to see our local farmers and landowners in church for the Harvest Festival service.

The Reverend Alan Kettle took the service and with a full church the singing 'raised the roof'. All the fruit and vegetables and most of the flowers had come from Brocastle Farm, courtesy of Sue Jones and the congregation brought along gifts for the foodbank in Llantwit Major which the church supports all year round.

Following the service a lunch was held in the village hall with over 60 people enjoying a cold meat and salad buffet with home made desserts, cheese and biscuits and wine. This resulted in a substantial amount of money being raised for the upkeep of this 11th century church much loved by all the village.

Kath Jones

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Ar 11 Hydref 2018, gwnaeth Cyngor Bro Morgannwg wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adran 14 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 Orchymyn fel a ddisgrifir yn yr atodlenni isod:

Daw'r Gorchymyn i rym 12 Hydref 2018 ac fe'i gelwir yn "Gorchymyn Cyngor Bro Morgannwg Llwybr Cyhoeddus Llanfleiddan Rhif 50 (Cau Dros Dro) 2018.

Os ydych am gwestiynu dilysrwydd y Gorchymyn neu'r darpariaethau ynddo ar y sail nad ydynt yn unol â'r pwerau a ddyfarnwyd gan y Ddeddf uchod neu ar y sail na chydymffurfiwyd ag unrhyw un o ofynion y Ddeddf, neu unrhyw offeryn a wnaed dan y Ddeddf mewn perthynas â'r Gorchymyn, gallwch, o fewn chwe wythnos o 11 Hydref 2018, wneud cais i'r Uchel Lys at y diben hwn.

ATODLEN 1

Ni chaiff unrhyw un gerdded ar y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 2 isod.

ATODLEN 2

Lleoliad	Bydd y llwybr troed (Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus) a elwir Llanfleiddan Rhif 50 ar gau o'r pwynt wrth gyf grid 297992,174593 i'r dwyrain i gyf grid 298274,174752 am 330 metr.
Llwybr Amgen	Yn ystod y cyfnod hwn bydd gwyriad trwy'r A48 a'r rhan o'r llwybr troed sydd dal ar agor ar gael.
Rheswm	Atal perygl i'r cyhoedd o ganlyniad i waith adeiladu.
Hyd	O 00.01 Dydd Gwener 12 Hydref 2018 am gyfnod hyd at chwe mis.

Dyddiedig 11 Hydref 2018

Cyfarwyddwr yr Amgylchedd a Thai
Cyngor Bro Morgannwg,
The Alps, Gwenfô. CF5 6AA.

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
(LLANBLETHIAN PUBLIC FOOTPATH No 50) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2018

On the 11th October 2018 the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 made an Order as described in the schedules below:

The Order shall come into force on 12th October 2018 and will be known as "The Vale of Glamorgan Council Llanblethian Public Footpath No 50 (Temporary Closure) Order 2018.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 11th October 2018 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

SCHEDULE 1

No person shall proceed on foot in the locations specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Location	Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Llanblethian Number 50 closed from the point at grid ref 297992,174593 in an easterly direction to grid reference 298274,174752 for a distance of 330 metres.
Alt. Route	During this closure a diversion via the A48 and the remaining open section of footpath will be available.
Reason	To prevent danger to the Public as a result of construction works being carried out.
Duration	From 00.01 on Friday 12th October 2018 for a maximum period of six months

Dated this 11th day of October 2018

Director of Environment & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council,
The Alps Depot, Wenvoe. CF5 6AA.

Are you going to vote for your favourite high street?

AS high streets up and down the country continue to struggle, a 'digital high street app' aiming to revitalise independent retailers has breathed new life into one Welsh market town helping it to become shortlisted for a national award.

NearMeNow, a newly launched app, has played a role in Cowbridge being named as a finalist in the Great British High Street Awards 2018.

In May founder of NearMeNow Victoria Mann and her team chose the town as a pilot location for the launch of the app, which supports independent traders in promoting, advertising, and connecting with their customers through one digital platform.

The technology allows business owners to push out their traditional shop-front advertising via the app, enabling their one-off deals, discounts and sale items to reach consumers in a faster and more efficient way.

The app also uses augmented reality technology, this enables shoppers to interact with high street deals through their smartphone camera lens while they are on the go.

After its collaboration with NearMeNow, which united the town's independent traders, Cowbridge was recognised as the first digital high street in the UK.

The town will now go head to head with 11 other locations across the UK, including Cardigan and Narberth, for the chance to be named this year's Rising Star winner and to claim up to £10,000 for its local community.

On the app's role in supporting Cowbridge's award shortlisting, NearMeNow founder Miss Mann said this demonstrates the impact this technology can have in supporting successful independent high streets across the country.

She said: "We are absolutely delighted that Cowbridge has been shortlisted in the Great British High Streets Awards 2018 and would like to congratulate this wonderful town.

"Our high streets are under increasing pressure from online competition and yet, many people are still keen to buy local and use regional shops and suppliers.

"Earlier this year we worked closely with the independent retailers and traders of Cowbridge to pilot our app, and to ensure businesses, and their success, were at the heart of our technology.

"We have been thrilled so far to see the impact NearMeNow has had in Cowbridge, and how it has created a digital community of traders who are united in promoting the benefits of shopping local.

"For Cowbridge to be shortlisted for this national award so quickly is a testament to their successful collaboration and dedication to making this scheme work effectively.

"We'd encourage anyone that has downloaded the app to do so as the real benefit will come as more and more people use it, and, of course, we'd urge everyone to vote for Cowbridge in these fantastic awards."

The Great British High Street Awards are set to take place at a ceremony in London this November with winners from all three categories set to be announced.

To vote for Cowbridge in the Rising Star Awards category post a message of support using the hashtags *#GBHSCowbridge* plus *#MyHighStreet* on Facebook, Intagram or Twitter and encourage friends and family to do the same. You can vote as many times as you like but retweets or comments don't count. Follow the MyCowbridge group on social media, for updates and news on our progress.

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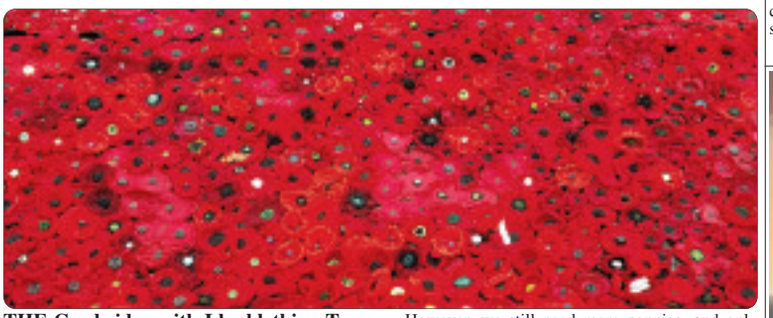
Cowbridge's crafty poppy appeal: only eight days left



THE Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council would like to say thank you to all those members of the community who turned up at the craft session last Saturday to help make poppies to decorate the Town Hall for Remembrance Sunday.

However, we still need more poppies, and only have eight more days to go before final collection day of Friday, October 19.

So if you can help, please could you contact Sian Hookins at Cowbridge Town Hall on 01446 773385. Many thanks in advance.

Ceri Anderson
Town Clerk

Stone the crows! It's the Penllyn Village Scarecrow Hunt

PENLLYN and Graig Penllyn held their first annual Scarecrow Hunt on September 30.

An entertaining day was had by all.

Over 200 people were involved in making scarecrows and attending the event. The hunt involved families following a Scarecrow Map which they picked up from the Penllyn village hall and following it to collect clues from the 33 scarecrows placed throughout the two villages.

Organised by members of the Graig and Penllyn Residents' association, the Scarecrow hunt raised money to help refurbish the shared children's playground at Winchfield in Graig Penllyn.

"It's a shame that the playground fell into disrepair," said Anwen, one of the organisers. "We are committed to raising enough money to replace the worn out and tired play equipment with something that can really serve the community. We were absolutely astounded at the number of adults and children who turned out to support the event. There was a true sense of community spirit!"

Many houses in the village set their scarecrows out on Saturday and some are still on display. The creativity of the villagers was a sight to see.

From Star Wars, to a full army camp, to ET and a Loch Ness monster. The villagers all entered into the spirit of the event wholeheartedly.

"What a lovely event for a Sunday afternoon," one of the mums commented: "It's wonderful to bring the children out for exercise and also to meet other families from the area. We will definitely be back next year!"

First prize was won by Llangan Primary School who made five scarecrows including a beautiful willow ballerina.

A meal for two was donated as runner up prize by the Red Fox pub in Penllyn and was won by The Old Machine Shop.

The Barley Mow served as the end point for the hunt and created a lovely Barley Mow balloon garden from which children could pick their balloon.

"All in all it was a great success," said Karen and Leslie, who also helped to organise the event. "We will definitely be running it again next year and cannot wait to see more of our villagers amazing creations!"

"Thank you to the Red Fox Pub, The Barley Mow Pub, the teachers and pupils of Llangan Primary School and all of the wonderful people who made scarecrows and attended the event."

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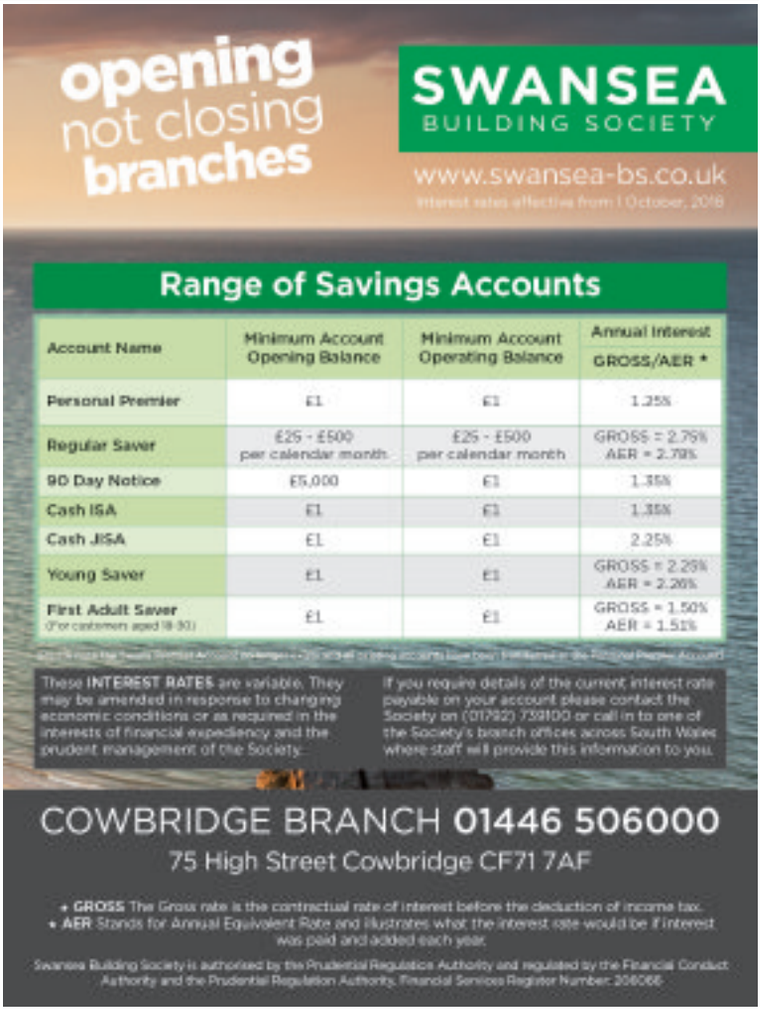
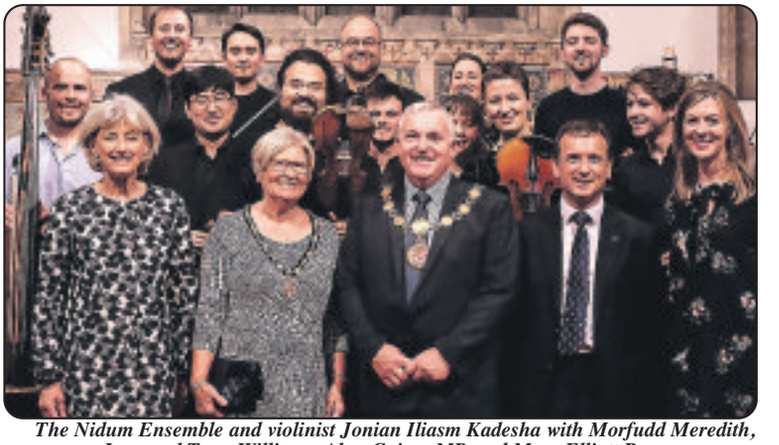


Cowbridge is now 'surely among the top music festivals in Wales' – says music critic

ABOVE: The 'Making Music – Changing lives' orchestra from Ely.



The Nidum Ensemble and violinist Jonian Iliasm Kadesha with Morfudd Meredith, Jane and Terry Williams, Alun Cairns MP, and Mary Elliott Rose.

ABOVE: The participants of the CMF Chamber Music Week

Young musicians at Holy Cross Church.

Miloš Karadaglić performing for a capacity audience at Holy Cross Church.

ABOVE: Carys Gittins and Manon Browning after their concert at Cowbridge Library

ABOVE: An outreach day at Ambito Day Opportunities in Sully

ABOVE: The Ffion Wyn Trio at the Bear.

AN electrifying performance of Vivaldi and Piazzolla's Four Seasons thrilled a capacity audience in Holy Cross Church on the opening night of this year's Cowbridge Music Festival.

The innovative programme combined with superb musicianship from The Nidum Ensemble and soloist Jonian-Ilias Kadesha led Peter Collins, music critic of the Western Mail to comment that the festival, now in its ninth year, 'is surely among the top music festivals in Wales'.

Ten more evening concerts followed, starting with two performances given by musicians from all over the world taking part in the festival's Chamber Music Week, and a welcome return of one of CMF's favourite bands, Tri i Dve, filling the Town Hall with their virtuosity and intricate rhythms of the Balkans.

The second weekend centred around the Duke of Wellington's ballroom, with Cowbridge harpist Eluned Pierce and her duo partner Hugh Webb, followed by Duke Ellington classics from The Gareth Roberts Quartet. Soprano Elin Manahan Thomas rounded off the weekend with the poignant songs of Morfydd Llwyn Owen and Dilys Elwyn-Edwards.

Then later in the week, string quartet connoisseurs enjoyed the renowned Albion Quartet playing Beethoven and Dvořák, and Llantwit Major's rising-star cellist, Ben Tarlton, was outstanding in this year's Young Artist's Recital.

Between concerts, the festival's community outreach programme visited care homes and primary schools around the Vale, including St Nicholas, St Athan, Gladstone and Aberdare Park Primary School in Barry and Ysgol Iolo Morganwg.

Pupils enjoyed percussion workshops with festival partner Children's Musical Adventures, while Tri i Dve served up a treat at Ambito Day Opportunities in Sully.

Something new for 2018 was the Festival Fringe, which takes the festival out into the town, provides opportunities for young musicians and celebrates local music groups.

Events included a concert by With Music in Mind joined by celebrity guest Elin Manahan Thomas, a Sunday jazz brunch at Oscars, a jazz supper at The Bear Hotel, Brazilian rhythms on the High Street from the Vale School of Samba and a concert in the library to commemorate the Debussy centenary.

The Making Music Changing Lives children's orchestra, Ely's version of El Sistema, also paid a visit and bowled the audience over with their performance of Dvorak and Scott Joplin.

For the final weekend, a sold-out concert with standing ovations and three encores: Montenegrin guitarist Miloš Karadaglić – joined by string group Ensemble7 – played Bach, de Falla, Granados and Beatles arrangements.

And after Saturday's mid-morning Family Concert (where Batman and friends harnessed the power of rhythm to catch the music thief…), vocalist Jacqui Dankworth brought the festival to a close, captivating her audience at Cowbridge School Theatre with tunes from the Great American Songbook, stage and screen.

Now looking forward to 2019, when the festival will celebrate its 10th year. To be first to hear about next year's programme, join the mailing list at *cowbridgemusicfestival.co.uk*.

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New recycling strategy in the Vale 'has led to delays'

A NEW limit on black bags in the Vale is leading to more recycling than the council is currently able to collect.

The Vale Council is now collecting two black bags per home every fortnight as part of efforts to encourage more recycling.

The changes have meant recycling has increased by almost 30 per cent since they were implemented in September and this has meant the council has been running one day late with recycling pick-ups over the past few days.

People have criticised the council for not planning ahead for the increase in recycling. Plaid Cymru councillor Ian Johnson said: "The increase in recycling is welcomed and there doesn't appear to have been a huge increase in flytipping, although I have had to report black bags left in the wrong places.

"However, it is disappointing that the council aren't able to collect all of the recycling being put out by families. If this is going to be the new normal, they will have to invest in more recycling collection workers, ensure that the collection vehicles are in good working order and have the capacity to deal with the increased amounts."

Stickers reminding residents of the new limit have been put on black bags if residents put more than two out for collection. New 'waste wardens' have been sent throughout the Vale to support people as the changes are made.

Speaking anonymously, a staff member of the Vale Council's cleansing service said: "The amount people are recycling is amazing, but we can only fit so much recycling in a vehicle. People have been shockingly positive.

"It's about supporting people and helping them and if people have a problem and they phone the council, they will support and help them."

Colin Smith, the council's operational manager for neighbourhood services and transport admitted it could be a matter of weeks before waste collection services were resourced properly.

He said: "Vale residents have made a tremendous effort to support the new recycling policy and as a result, the quantity of this waste has far exceeded the levels we anticipated. This means waste collections are running a day behind in some isolated areas.

"Since the changes came in early last month, there has been a reduction in black bag waste of between 30 and 40 per cent and a significant increase in the tonnage of recyclable waste we are dealing with. This is obviously an extremely positive development, but also one that has presented certain challenges.

"It may be a couple of weeks before we can accurately predict the exact quantities of food, dry recycling, green and black bag waste to expect and resource our service appropriately.

"We apologise for any inconvenience caused during this period and would like to ask residents for their patience. We'd also like to pass on our sincere thanks for their conscientious efforts."

Matt Discombe,
Local Democracy Reporter

Vale Council to push for fresh and local produce for 'nutritious school meals'

THE Vale Council's catering department is aiming to include fresh local produce to provide nutritious school meals.

A study has been commissioned to examine the potential for farmers and producers to supply local schools with fresh produce to feed our children.

The project team, led by locally based rural business consultants PER Consulting Ltd will make contact with food producers across the Vale and neighbouring areas, to identify the range of produce available and to explore the capacity to meet the needs of school kitchens.

The study has been supported by The Creative Rural Communities Local Action Group which is funded by Rural Development Programme 2014-2020, European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development, the Welsh Government, and by the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

Symon Dovey, assistant catering manager at the Vale of Glamorgan said: "We know there is a wide range of fresh meat, vegetables, salad crops and fruit produced within the Vale. If there is local capacity and we can resolve the logistics of deliveries, then we are keen to build better links between our schools and local producers – not just in what our children eat but through education in where our food comes from as well."

The study will finish in December, with the aim of establishing a supply chain if feasible in Spring next year. Meanwhile PER Consulting will be holding face to face meetings with farmers, smallholders and rural business as well as conducting online surveys.

Society life membership awarded to Llanharry man

LAST Friday evening Cowbridge History Society began its new season with an important event: the presentation to David Francis of Llanharry with life membership of the society.

This was in recognition of two things: his contribution to the local history of Cowbridge and the Vale of Glamorgan and his generous donation of the income from his most recent publication 'Llanharry, Llansannor and District: a Memoir', to the society coffers.

In his introduction, the chair drew attention to David's lifelong commitment to the area where he was brought up and educated and to the local community he served, especially as a teacher.

In his acceptance, David recalled the role of Cowbridge Grammar School in the education of the son of a collier, his friendship with Brian L James as mentor and co-author and the charm and benefits of the town of Cowbridge. His speech was greeted by very generous and warm applause.

The society's speaker that evening was Ray Noyes, a man with a remarkable pedigree. Educated at Cathay's Boys High School, he had trained as an engineer, worked at CERN in Geneva for many years and on returning to the UK has become chief engineer in a range of important government laboratories.

Later in life he adopted the principles of Zen Buddhism and helped establish a centre in mid-Wales. Eventually he returned to his roots in Grangetown, Cardiff where he has begun to research its history. Indeed, Grangetown was the topic of his talk which revealed the medieval origins of the ownership of this unprepossessing piece of land on the marshes between the rivers Taff and Ely by the Anglo-Norman family of the de Strurmis.

His researches showed that the later owners of the area, the Plymouth-Clive family, recognised the potential of this area for dock and industrial development which led to the laying out of what was essentially a new town outside the control of neighbouring Cardiff. This largely working class suburb developed over many generations.

He described in great detail the struggle the early builders had at this meeting point of land, river and sea where floods and high tides constantly rendered early efforts almost impossible, resulting in poor, frequently damp and ill-drained housing and sanitation.

Gradually the area prospered as it developed northwards towards Leckwith thanks to land reclamation and the building of the tram system. Socially and economically many parts of Grangetown were regarded by outside observers as representing the 'classic slum', even as late as the 1950s.

All this detail was illustrated with maps, diagrams and photographs from his researches, all delivered with a wry sense of humour, since this was the area where he was originally raised.

His efforts will shortly appear in a book to be published by Wordcatcher Press, 'Urban Development in the Victorian era – a study of Grangetown, Cardiff, 1100-1900; Urban Development in the Victorian Era – A case study'.

In thanking Ray Noyes for his marvellous talk the chair drew attention to the links between the evening's first event and its second, namely that these were both men with strong roots to their localities, linking person (history) to place (geography).

The society's future talks include 'The11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month – Armistice day 1918 ' by well known local historian Don Gerrard on November 2 and ''From cess pit to WC; from well to tap: sewage and water supply in Cowbridge' by Dick Buswell, the Society's chair, on December 7.

Cowbridge Poppy Appeal details have been revealed

THE Poppy Appeal will soon commence, and this year is a very special one as it is commemorating the centenary of the end of the First World War.

The Royal British Legion, and local organisers, organisers want to make it something memorable and are seeking the support of the people of Cowbridge and the surrounding area to make it just that.

Other organisations are also commemorating the event and their efforts, along with those of the Poppy Appeal team, will be visible in the town.

The appeal starts during the week of October 22, when you will see signs during that week of what is happening this year.

Once again, the large poppies will be fixed to the town lamp posts, one post to each man who died. Each poppy will contain a potted history of that man, including information about his date and place of birth, where he lived, his occupation, and where he fell. "We will remember them."

In addition to the lamp post poppies, more traders than ever have agreed to display the large felt poppies produced by the members of Cutting Edge in their windows.

Around 90 have agreed to demonstrate their support for the Poppy Appeal. Following last year's brilliant response retailers have, once again, been asked to 'paint the town red' and to decorate a shop window or part of a window in support of the Poppy Appeal.

Last year traders produced some wonderful and imaginative displays; the signs are that even more will join in this year.

Adding to the occasion Cowbridge (with Llanblethian) Town Council are supporting 'Battle's Over', a commemoration of the ending of World War One; and will be arranging a cascade of poppies over the main entrance to the Town Hall which, along with the felt poppies in windows and large poppies on the lamp posts, will help create a warm and welcoming atmosphere and help attract visitors to the town.

The Poppy Appeal collection points will be outside Waitrose, outside Tesco and Lloyds Bank; and on Saturdays outside the Town Hall, Rotary members will also be selling on the street.

More shops and businesses than ever have agreed to take a tray of poppies and collection box and the Poppy Appeal team are hoping for an excellent collection.

Organiser David Howell remarked: "We understand there are many charities to which people are asked to contribute but the Poppy Appeal has a special place in people's hearts and is very personal.

"Many of us recall family members who gave their lives or were injured on active service. 'We will remember them' is dedicated to the fallen but applies equally to surviving service personnel and families whose lives were affected.

"The Poppy Appeal remembers them, provides help and support to those people and their dependents and does a wonderful job."

For those who wish to remember an individual, the Garden of Remembrance will be located at Holy Cross Church and crosses will be available from the main collection points.

"Remembrance Sunday this year is on November 11 and we ask the public to join us on this special year and make it a truly meaningful commemoration," said Mr Howell.

Events organised by the Town Council for Battle's Over will extend the commemoration into the evening.

A commemorative beacon will be lit at Cowbridge Rugby Club, the church bells at Holy Cross will be rung.

A full programme of activities is planned for this event at the rugby club with the lighting of the beacon at 7pm.

DH

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Group plans to support Syrian refugees in Llantwit Major

CROESO Llantwit is a group of local people who aim to support Syrian refugees to move to the town.

Under the Government Community Sponsorship Resettlement Scheme, the group is working to enable a family to find a home, and a new start, in Llantwit Major.

A spokesperson said: "The group is committed to provide all that is necessary for this new beginning. This includes a house, language tuition, access to medical and social services, education and employment and ensuring they are enabled and supported for their first two years."

On Thursday, October 18 from 7.30pm to 9pm at the Llantonian Hall, Croeso Llantwit will discuss its plans.

DP

STOP PRESS

The group is holding a charity dance and concert on Saturday, October 13 at Llantonian Hall. Tickets are available from Nickleby's bookshop, and for further information, call 07804 624795.

AML on agenda for 41 Club

WE were delighted at Llantwit Major 41 Club when we were joined at our dinner speaker evening in early October by a member of the Aston Martin Lagonda Team based at Gaydon in Warwickshire.

The chairman, Keith Payne, welcomed Steve Waddingham who had travelled down from the factory just to be with us for the evening.

Steve's day job involves helping clients to buy new cars and acting as a brand ambassador.

He looks after the Aston Martin Owner's Club, Aston Martin Heritage Trust and the Lagonda Club as their liaison and has also taken over the role of company historian.

We had a number of guests and members from all over the Vale and surrounding areas, including a visiting 41 Club chairman Nigel Williams, who was brought along by our national fellowship officer Steve James; and also a fellow 41-er and Aston Martin owner and enthusiast from Gloucester 41 Club, who had also travelled a fair distance to be with us that evening. I refer to Adrian Smith.

The speaker Steve gave us the history of the Aston Martin Lagonda, starting back in 1899 when Aston Martin launched their cars from a very small unit in London.

He then took us through the years from the start, right up to the present day which is 119 years of motoring history.

Steve then went on to inform us how much the company is enjoying the fact that their new factory is in south Wales but more importantly is in St Athan and are all ready employing quite a number of people from the area. They will be making the new E ranges of Lagonda and Aston Martin. These really are exciting times for the area.

At the end of the evening, Steve was given a vote of thanks by vice chairman Brandon Dyke who as a fellow 'petrol head' was in his element all night. Everybody agreed that it was a superb evening with our speaker Steve Waddingham taking all the bows.

We were well looked after for food that evening by Kelly and her team at the White Hart.

KP

It's a lung way to Tipperary, and then on the Taff Trail

LUNG Lost Friends is a group of former patients at UHW Llandough who are planning to 'virtually cycle' the Taff Trail.

The trail runs from Brecon to Cardiff Bay, and the group is using it to set themselves a challenge while raising funds for the Pulmonary Rehabilitation Unit at the hospital.

The former participants on the six-week exercise and lifestyle course at Penarth Leisure Centre will 'cycle' in the foyer at Llandough Hospital on October 8 and 15, and will undertake the rest of the ride in the leisure centre.

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Members of Lung Lost Friends.

AM calls for rethink on 'wholly inappropriate' plans for travellers' site

South Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies joined residents of Hayes Road, Sully, to campaign against the plans.

PLANS to build on the travellers' site at Hayes Road in Sully are 'wholly inappropriate', South Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has said.

Mr Davies recently visited several residents whose properties back onto the site. Many concerns were raised by residents who pointed out that the site was earmarked in the Council's Local Development Plan for 55 residential units.

It is in an area that has been earmarked for economic regeneration and industrial development, something Mr Davies said would be put under threat by the plans.

Mr Davies said: "The proposals for this site are wholly unsuitable, with the council including it for residential development in the LDP. Residents are rightly concerned by the plans for a travellers' site backing onto their homes and the impact this will have on the area.

"It is vital that we think again and come up with an alternative, since these plans are completely unsustainable and must be shelved."

Spymaster visits south Wales ESU

LORD Jonathan Evans, former Director General of MI5, spoke on 'Keeping the UK Safe' at the recent lunch held by the south Wales branch of the English-Speaking Union.

In highlighting the main threats to our national security, he detailed the way in which MI5, MI6 and GCHQ have to work in partnership as terrorism links now know no national boundaries; the frequent cyberwarfare attacks on businesses and governments; and the continuing threat from Russia on a wide range of issues from the confrontations with NATO and its allies to the Novichok nerve agent attack in Salisbury.

This was a masterly summary of the way in which the UK's intelligence services have to keep on the front foot in protecting our national security against international and national terrorism which continues to develop more sophisticated forms of attack.

On a lighter note, Lord Evans did, somewhat wistfully, admit his passion for Italian super sports cars, particularly Maserati, but said that he could never have owned one in case it drew attention to him.

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Handmade market on Barry Island this weekend

BARRY Island Handmade Market makes a welcome return to to the Island's railway station this Sunday, October 14.

There will be a wide range of arts and crafts available at the popular event.

The market will be open from 11am to 3pm.

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READERS will be aware that Cowbridge High Street has been nominated in the Great British High Street Awards, reaching the national final for the Rising Star Award.

They are one of only 12 nominations and this is a huge opportunity to show the rest of the country one of our thriving and successful high streets.

We're fortunate in the Vale to have a number of excellent high streets, in Llantwit and Barry as well as in Cowbridge, that make our home a fantastic place to live, work, visit and do business.

It's absolutely vital that we support the Vale's nomination to help to put us on the map and benefit the wider area. Success for Cowbridge can be success for all of the Vale and I urge everyone to get behind Cowbridge before voting ends on October 31.

All voting will be conducted over social media, with voters able to use Facebook, Twitter or Instagram using both of the hashtags #MYHIGHSTREET and #GBHSCowbridge to register their vote and there is no limit to how many times we can vote.

Welsh Secretary
ALUN CAIRNS
reports to GEM readers

I want to pay tribute to Kate of Sylvia Williams Chemist, Alun John of Arthur John and the rest of the team of traders who have worked extremely hard to champion Cowbridge.

Their hard work has helped to get Cowbridge to this position and it's now down to us as a community to pull together and vote to push them over the finish line.

Cowbridge has made excellent use of an app called NearMeNow, which uses exciting new technology to link customers to discounts and deals. Their use of technology shows how forward looking traders on the High Street are and I have no doubt they could make great use of the financial reward to the winning community to further benefit shoppers.

The local economy across the Vale has seen an upturn over recent years and Cowbridge High Street is increasingly becoming an even more attractive place to set up shop. The traders deserve recognition for their hard work and dedication promoting Cowbridge, so please be sure to register your vote!

Cheers! Barry pub wins award

TYNEWYDD, Barry, has been crowned as the Vale's Parliamentary Pub of the Year after a public vote where pub-goers voted for their favourite pub across the Vale.

Vale MP Alun Cairns held the public vote to determine his choice for the Vale of Glamorgan Parliamentary Pub of the Year, which will be put forward as his nomination in the UK-wide competition held by the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Pubs.

Eleven pubs across the area took part in the competition, with hundreds of local residents casting their vote for their favourite. the national competition.

Charity conference called

FOLLOWING the success of last year's inaugural Governance Conference in Cowbridge, Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) is delighted to announce that another conference will be held later this year in Barry.

The theme of this year's conference is 'A Matter of Trust' and will focus on what charities and other third sector organisations need to do to help increase or rebuild the trust of the public in the light of recent events and increasing scrutiny.

The conference will be held on November 7 from 9.30am to 1pm at the Barry Memorial Hall, Gladstone Road, Barry. The event will build upon the success of the first conference and will be a source of advice and networking for anyone connected with the third sector within the Vale and will incorporate GVS' Annual General Meeting.

To reserve a place at one or both events, complete the booking form at www.gvs.wales/news/2018/06/gvs-conference-2018.

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Café hosts charity boxes

MARCO'S Café on Barry Island is supporting Barry Island and Llantwit Major Coastguard's charities during October with a collection box.

A Barry Coastguard spokesman explained: "We are raising £500 to go towards Autism Puzzles Cymru, the Coastguard Association and Mind's 'Blue Light Programme'.

"Having already run several races so far this year including a full marathon, several 10k races and a 10k run with a fully loaded stretcher, our next adventure was the Cardiff half marathon, so you can either support us online or drop a few pennies into the box at the cafe."

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Child at risk costs Vale Council £471,000 a year

THE Vale Council is paying £471,380 per year to keep one 14-year-old boy in a secure unit after a pattern of 'complex and challenging behaviour'.

The Vale council is also spending £241,800 per year to keep a seven-year-old girl old in a specialist foster home.

The Vale is just one of many councils in Wales facing increasing costs to look after challenging cases amid unprecedented demand for children's services.

Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) spends an average of £160,000 per year for each child sent to out-of-county placements, it was revealed in March.

The cost of the most challenging looked after children dwarfs the money spent on the highest security adult prisoners. It costs around £80,000 a year to hold an inmate at the most expensive category A prison, HMP Whitemoor.

Children who are taken into specialist homes or secure units are there for several different reasons, but many will have often suffered the worst forms of physical, sexual or emotional abuse or neglect early in their lives.

Their backgrounds lead to behaviours which mean they are unable to be placed at a foster home for an extended period of time and need to be monitored around the clock to prevent causing harm to themselves or others.

They could be at risk of drug and abuse, self-harm, or falling into the hands of drugs or sex trafficking gangs.

This means councils and specialist providers have to step in and children often have to be sent across Britain to receive emergency care.

The majority of the costs at residential homes are down to having qualified staff monitoring and caring for the children around the clock, while some providers are also registered special schools to provide education.

Gareth Hemming, director of Genus Care which provides children's homes in the area said: "I would hate for people to think that money is being wasted. This child deserves whatever money is being spent on them; they need it.

"The local authorities have my sympathy because they have got to look after these children and that care costs money."

In the case of the 14-year-old boy in the Vale, the council has revealed he became looked after in May 2016 due to his complex and challenging behaviour.

A council report said: "His behaviour quickly became too challenging to be managed within foster care and he was excluded from mainstream school.

"He was placed in a local residential provision, but his behaviour continued to deteriorate and he was further excluded from the pupil referral unit. He was then placed in a specialist residential school out of the area at a cost of £213,200 per year.

"However, this placement only lasted for three months and with further concerns regarding his behaviour and the risks he posed to himself and others, the local authority applied for a secure order.

"He is now placed in a specialist secure unit costing £471,380 per year."

In the case of the seven-year-old girl, the Vale council said she had been looked after for the past two and a half years.

The report said: "She was placed with an internal foster carer but following her exclusion from school and her increasingly complex behaviour, the placement broke down.

"She was subsequently placed in a therapeutic foster placement, which also broke down.

"Unable to identify a foster placement to meet her current needs, she has now been placed in a specialist residential home costing £241,800 per year.

"It is planned to step this young person down into a foster placement once she has received the appropriate therapeutic support."

In 2017-18, the Vale Council spent £4.132 million on children's care placements – overspending its budget by £560,000.

This was a significant difference from previous years when the budget was underspent by £309,000 in 2016-17 and £183,000 in 2015-16.

The Vale Council report said: "This reflects the increasing costs of residential placements and the complexity of young people placed in residential care rather than an increase in the number of young people place in residential placements."

Local authorities have a statutory duty to provide care, support and accommodation where the needs of a child require this.

Lance Carver, director of social services at the Vale Council, said funding care placements was a challenge for authorities across Wales: "Where a child is looked after, the local authority takes a role as corporate parent.

"These responsibilities include the identification of accommodation appropriate to the child's needs.

"The Vale supports children looked after in a range of settings, always, where this is possible, within their families, or where this cannot be achieved, within foster care or residential placements.

Matt Discombe, Local Democracy Reporter

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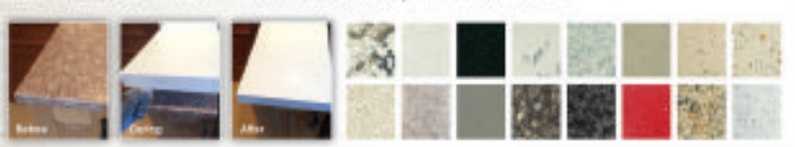

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THE GEM was delighted to have been invited to Avia Speed Shop in Bridgend on October 4 to witness a very special award from Chwarae Teg (or 'Fair Play' in English) being bestowed on owner Hayley Pells.

Hayley was presented with an Exemplar Employer Award from Chwarae Teg. The garage, which has a 50:50 gender split of men and women in qualified technical roles, has been recognised for its work in bringing equality to the motor industry.

It is the first garage in Wales to receive the award.

After the presentation Gill Owens from Chwarae Teg's Agile Nation scheme said: "Motor mechanic is an under-represented career choice for women, so it's wonderful to see, not only a managing director being female, but also Hayley employing 50 per cent male and female employees."

Hayley said: "It's really important to the business to encourage diversity. The award is really import-ant to us and it has improved the business as a whole."

James Blaireau, one of those attending, said: "I began taking my MX5 to Avia Speed Shop because another MX5 owner recommended it.

"I walked in to be greeted by a very competent young mechanic called Rebecca, who not only knew exactly what she was talking about, but also has a clear passion for cars and her work.

"It's great to see."

In the last month, Avia Speed Shop has also been accredited by the Motor Ombudsman, a kite marked organisation affiliated with Trading Standards, showing its commitment to high standards and a fair industry for both consumers and employees alike.

Quick off the (breeze) blocks for triathlon

OLYMPIANS Helen and Marc Jenkins officially started this year's Wales Property Triathlon.

The annual triathlon, now in its sixth year organised by construction and property firm Jehu Group, took place at the weekend in aid of The Trussell Trust, in a bid to help stop food poverty.

Staff from Jehu Group came to together with many of their clients including Coastal Housing Group, Newydd Housing Association and Wales and West Housing to take part in the sprint triathlon, which involved a 500m pool swim, 20k bike ride and 5k run.

Taking first prize for the male and female categories was husband and wife duo Jamie and Mel Best from Melin Consultants, while the fastest team was Tondu Wheelers Ringers, made up of Marc Jenkins, Vincent Thomas and Lee Howells.

Mr Jenkins said: "This has been such a fantastic event not only to raise awareness for The Trussell Trust, but it's great bringing the community together to participate in sport."

Jehu has taken part in a number of fundraising activities throughout the year in support of The Trussell Trust, its chosen charity for 2018, including a band night held in Cardiff's Tramshed.

Jehu's original property triathlon was started in honour of former Jehu Group employee, Hugh Walker, who lost his life aged 46, just four months after being diagnosed with a brain tumour. The family-run construction and property firm has also supported Llamau the homeless charity and CALM male suicide prevention charity.

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Screen your teen session

CARDIOVASCULAR disease is said to account for a third of all deaths in Wales.

The Welsh Hearts charity is holding part-funded heart screening sessions at Cardiff Gate Business Park on Saturday, October 13, from 9am–4pm.

Welsh Hearts aims to raise awareness of undiagnosed heart conditions, by providing easily accessible and affordable screening to communities in Wales.

The heart-screening event is open to teens in Wales from ages 10 to 18, and the screening session is in memory of Ashlee McFarland, who died aged 22 from an undiagnosed heart condition.

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News from The Ramblers and Valeways walking groups

IN gorgeous autumnal weather, with a crisp morning which grew warmer in the sunshine and under blue skies, Rachel and her group of seven walkers from Penarth and District Ramblers set off by road through the idyllic hamlet of Castellau, with its perfect duck pond.

Winding through woodland and across fields, they stopped for morning break near the entrance to Tyla-Winder Farm before crossing a stream and beginning their climb on forestry tracks festooned with Himalayan Balsam at Mynydd Gelliwion.

Exiting onto an old coal tip used for motor cycle scrambling and with brilliant views towards the central Brecon Beacons and the flat top of Tylorstown Tip, they headed through farmland to their lunch stop, utilising stone walling to sit on with grand views out over the Bristol Channel.

A road led them downhill past Rackett Cottages and Treferig House and entering woodland, an old disused railway line beside the Nant Muchudd stream led them to Treferig Isha, with its resident pigs, Dot and Patch, before fields brought them back to Castellau and a return to their start.

The following day dawned overcast, cold and windy, when Robin, spaniel Pepper and their six companions set out from Mynydd Du in the lovely Grwyne Fawr Valley heading along the river before beginning a steep climb on narrow tricky paths. Pausing from time to time to catch their breath and enjoy the surrounding views, their stop for morning break was very much appreciated and on reaching the ridgeway, Pen y Gadair Fawr stood in front of them.

Life in this valley changed when in 1912 an influx of workers who were housed in a specially-built village came to work on the Grwyne Fawr reservoir and because of lack of labour during World War Two, along with other problems of building the reservoir in such an isolated position, it was not opened until 1928.

Heading north along the ridge to the highest peak in the Black Mountains, Waun Fach, where the Brecon Beacons National Park staff have been carrying out extensive work to prevent erosion and preserve the fragile peat bogs, they continued to the top of the valley before stopping for lunch. Crossing to Rhos Dirion and heading southeastwards, the long ridge separating Grwyne Fawr and the Vale of Ewyas lay before them and on reaching the Blacksmith's Anvil they descended the hillside and made their way back through the forest to end a splendid day's walking.

On October 13, meet at 9.30am at Cogan Leisure Centre for a six-mile moderate walk at Bryngarw; contact Jan/John on 01446 418514.

On October 14, meet at 9am at Cogan for an 11-mile moderate walk taking in the Usk reservoir and Llyn y Fan Fach; contact John R on 07484 844533.

On October 17, the mid-week 17-mile strenuous walk takes in the Llanbedr Horseshoe in the Black Mountains; contact William on 07528 701952.

Joy Strangward

MEANWHILE, the members of Valesways also went on a stroll.

Autumnal weather can be lovely and on such a day, 11 walkers started at the Six Bells in Penmark for a walk with Valeways.

They set off through the village to cross Barren Hill with cattle following them, before dropping into the valley to cross the Kenson River and climb up the other side to Pen-Onn.

They followed the road towards Llancarfan before turning off and heading back uphill to Broomhill and Flaxland. Using great care not to excite the mothers, the walkers passed a newborn calf, no more than two hours old and several other very young calves, before reaching the road and turning left.

A short walk on the road brought them to The Talbots, where they crossed a field and went into Coed Garnllwyd Nature Reserve. On leaving this reserve, a coffee stop was made as the sun continued to shine.

Suitably refreshed, they followed the river valley into Llancarfan where they crossed the ford and went into the church to see the famous wall paintings.

Heading out of the village, they rejoined the river valley and followed it through open grassland to join the road at Penmark Hill, where a short walk brought then back to the pub.

The pub's free range chickens were ruling the car park and before going in for food and drink, Paul had to remove one potential escapee from his car – and Trevor had to guard his scampi and chips very carefully.

John Treby, Valeways Walk Leader

Appetite for livestock market among farmers

A REPORT looking at the needs of local farmers and determining whether a viable livestock market is needed in the Vale has been published.

The report was commissioned by Creative Rural Communities, the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Rural Regeneration initiative in partnership with NFU, FUW, local farmers and the current market operators.

There was overwhelming support for the continued need for traditional livestock auctions locally with strong support for the need to provide for mixed livestock sales in the right location.

While the number of livestock markets has declined in recent years, they still provide 50 per cent of livestock sales across the UK.

An extensive programme of consultation and engagement took place to inform the study findings and conclusions. Some 95 individual conversations with farmers and other stakeholders were held and a further 120 people responded to the online survey.

Cllr Jonathan Bird, cabinet member for regeneration and planning said: "Any new market would need to be viable with the right mix of funding and operating model and located appropriately, minimising site constraints."

With understandable concerns over the future uncertainty for sheep production post-Brexit, all stakeholders felt strongly that a new facility should not be a 'like for like' replacement and should be used for more than one day per week.

Other multiple uses need to be factored into the construction and operation of a new appropriately located site. Revenue from the livestock sales could be supplemented by holding other non-livestock sales.

A new market facility could also help farmers to diversify and add value to their products through provision of shared facilities such as meat cutting and access to cold storage; helping them to build direct sales to consumers.

ICE BRIDGE BUILT

PUPILS and staff at St Nicholas Church in Wales Primary School recently took part in an ICE Bridges to Schools initiative.

Staff members at Alun Griffiths (Contractors) Ltd, the Civil Engineering and Construction Company, who are currently undertaking the Five Mile Lane Project, are keen to engage with the local community.

Construction of the new Five Mile Lane (A4226) is underway and it is anticipated the road will be completed in the summer of 2019.

Preparatory works, including some land clearance, began in early 2018 and the site compound from which the scheme will be managed was put in place in March this year.

The ambitious activity involves year 5 and year 6 pupils, working together to build a replica of the Prince of Wales Bridge (formerly the Second Severn Crossing).

"The aim," said a spokesperson, "is to engage the children in an enjoyable opportunity to learn about what a career in engineering entails."

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Penarth history month has 'wowed audiences'

A MONTH-long series of events about Penarth's heritage and history has ended, after what organisers say has been an 'incredibly popular' programme with local audiences.

Five talks by specialist speakers about subjects including The Arrival of a Victorian Town, Penarth Dock and Black Gold, Shearwater's Log, Welsh Pirates and the story of the town's famous alabaster deposits, amazed audiences at some of Penarth's most popular venues.

Audience levels were 'impressive' said Penarth Tourism and Visitor Association chairman Anthony Ernest, who praised organiser Martin Gossage for his expertise in bringing together an incredible range of events over the four-week period.

Anthony said: "So many different businesses in the town came together to support History Month, and that brought many visitors and Penarthians into our wide range of food outlets and participating shops, while the window displays and featured venues showed off just how much history Penarth has to offer today's visitor and resident."

Meanwhile 'A Heritage Strategy for Penarth' is the subject of an evening of film and discussion on Saturday, October 13 at 7pm at 'Crepe Escape' in Penarth, organised by the town's Community Heritage Project.

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The Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), and of all other enabling powers intends in not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the general effect of which is as described in the schedules below: -

SCHEDULE 1

No person shall cause or permit a motor vehicle to proceed in the location specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Location The road to be closed is the A4226 Waycock Road (5 Mile Lane) Barry from Waycock Cross Roundabout to Sycamore Cross Traffic Lights.

Reason To allow for the new A4226 road construction works to be undertaken.

Duration From 8.00am on 29th October 2018 for a maximum period of 18 months

WHILST THE CLOSURE IS FOR 18 MONTHS, THE ROAD WILL ONLY BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC INTERMITTENTLY FOR SHORT PERIODS. THESE CLOSURES WILL BE NOTIFIED BY ROAD SIGNS IN ADVANCE.

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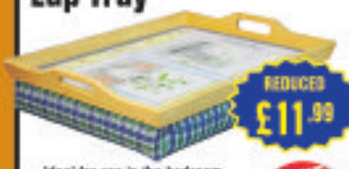

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Encore for classical vocal trio

THERE will be considerable interest this week in the launch of the début album by the classical trio, Athena.

Local woman Ellen Williams is a member of Athena, with Gwawr Edwards and Sioned Terry and a concert in Cardiff to launch the album will also feature the Welsh St Donat's based choir, Cor Heol y March.

The album, entitled *Encore* was recorded on the Sain Records label.

The launch concert is on Saturday, October 13, 7pm at Eglwys Dewi Sant in Cardiff. Tickets are available from Welsh shops Caban, Siop y Felin and the Old Library.

Also performing at the concert are Rhys Hughes, and the Hen Nodiant Choir.

Conkering breast cancer

ON a bright and balmy autumnal afternoon on October 7, around 60 participants took part in the annual Conker Walk, in aid of Breast Cancer Now.

A pleasant stroll through the scenic country park was enjoyed by all and the conditions underfoot were excellent.

The conker tree in the upper car park was festooned with messages commemorating and celebrating those who have suffered from breast cancer. The charity's aim is that by 2050, no-one diagnosed with breast cancer will die from the disease.

Great strides forward have been made over the last 20 years in new diagnostic tools, and focused treatments mean more sufferers survive. New research is targeting secondary breast cancer, where in the past no cure was available and it is hoped even this can be conquered.

This annual event is now firmly established in the local calendar and it is hoped that next year's event will be bigger and better.

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Cadets target shooting success

THE Christ College Combined Cadet Forces (CCF) shooting teams gave up their Exeat weekend (September 29-30) to take part in the 160st Infantry Brigade Cadet Skill at Arms Meeting (CADSAAM).

Teams from across Wales competed in a series of tests to find the top cadet shooters.

On three different ranges and at multiple distances, Christ College succeeded in getting two firers into the top 12 individual shoot-off on Saturday and beat Llandovery by 69 points in the race for the trophy for the best CCF on Sunday morning.

Finally, old rivalries were rekindled during the falling plate competition on Sunday afternoon, with Christ College B team meeting Llandovery College B team, and in a repeat of the 2017 final, Christ College A team meeting Monmouth A team in the first round. Shooting against very strong teams, neither of the Christ College teams progressed into the quarter finals.

At the prize giving ceremony, Colonel Cadet for Wales David Hammond presented Cadet Regimental Sergeant Major Trevethan with the trophy for best CCF. The cup for the best individual shot in Wales was presented to Cadet Sergeant Morgan of Christ College's A team, with Cadet Lance Corporal Lewis from the school's B team in third place.

Mark Bevan, CCF School Staff Instructor at Christ College, said: "We are very proud of both our teams and as the standard of shooting within the Brigade increases year on year, they knew they would need to push hard to retain their title of the top CCF in Wales, and they did.

"It's been a very successful competition which bodes well for the future, not just for our top shooters, but also for our novice firers who we able to gain valuable experience for next year."

Environmental data: Vale Council sets new charges

PEOPLE requesting information about noise, air quality and pollution in the Vale face new charges.

The Vale Council will start charging £25 per hour for requests under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Requests under the 2004 act make up 41 per cent of all formal requests for information received by the council.

The council's cabinet approved the new charges on October 1, and they are effective immediately.

It comes after the Information Commissioner suggested £25 per hour would be a reasonable charge for environmental information requests, a council report says.

People unable to pay the new charges would be able to apply to the council's information manager for an exemption or modified rate.

"This will be determined on a case by case basis taking into account the economic situation of the person requesting the information and any undue hardship on them and the public interest in the protection of the environment," the policy says.

The majority of costs to the council in processing environmental information requests related to staff time, a report from the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee found.

Under its newly-adopted access to information policy, the council will also not provide information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for requests which would take longer than 18 hours to complete.

A Vale Council spokesman said: "The council is considering broadening the services for which it charges to include a fee for providing certain environmental information. This would be £25 per hour, or part of that hour, for the staff time it takes to locate, retrieve and extract such information and put it in the required format.

"The introduction of this fee would be in line with Information Commissioner guidance and the Council's Income Generation and Commercial Opportunities Strategy as we strive to maintain services at a time of diminishing budgets.

"No profit will be made from the proposal and requesters will be advised of the anticipated cost upfront."

Matt Discombe
Local democracy reporter

Meet the author

TARA Westover, will be at Glamorganshire Golf Club on the evening of Tuesday, October 16 to discuss her memoir *Educated*.

Raised by a Mormon survivalist family in rural Idaho, when she was growing up she didn't officially exist as her parents didn't believe in school, organised healthcare, or even register her birth.

Despite this, Tara Westover eventually gained a PhD from Cambridge.

For more information, search for Griffin Books online.

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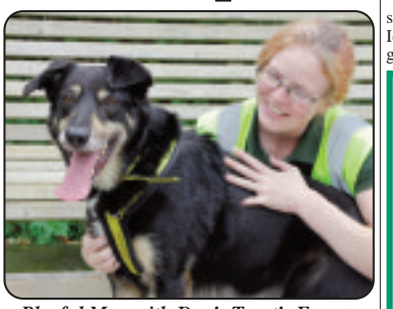

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Out & About with The GEM

Hardy shines, but *Venom* lacks bite

WHEN *The Amazing Spider-Man 2* failed to set the world alight, it wasn't a good time for the studio distributing the film, Sony.

Intent on building a cinematic universe to match Marvel's, the relative failure of the sequel saw a chain of events unfold where Spider-Man (still under the umbrella of Sony) finally entered the MCU (and made a pretty good fist of it, as well).

As for Sony, their hopes of creating their own universe of Spider-Man-related characters (and they own the rights to over 900 of them apparently) starts with *Venom*. It stars Tom Hardy as Eddie Brock, a reporter who, after infiltrating the laboratories of Carlton Drake (Riz Ahmed) for a story, is exposed to an alien symbiote that takes over his body – Venom.

With Venom on the streets, Drake must track down and stop the alien, while Brock must learn to live with his new companion and stop Drake's nefarious plan to use the symbiotes for his own means...

We first met Venom in *Spiderman 3*, Sam Raimi's ill-thought-out threequel that, among its many crimes, wasted one of the most sought-after Marvel characters by throwing him into a convoluted plot and blowing his big screen debut.

Eleven years later, the character of Venom gets a redux, but while the film itself does a better job of handling the character, it's within the confines of a cookie-cutter action blockbuster that does little to raise the pulse.

The coup of Tom Hardy essaying the role of Eddie Brock and Venom is a big one and to that end, the actor delivers a kooky yet very enjoyable turn. Brock is an investigative reporter with Woody Allen's voice, and when his world falls apart, he goes chasing after the story of Drake, which is where his relationship with Venom begins.

If the opening 20 minutes feels clunky, it does get into a rhythm about the time Brock and Venom become one. What follows is Hardy putting in another fine turn, the inner (and outer) conflict between a man not quite knowing what's happening and an alien symbiote with a predilection for eating people's heads makes it an interesting one, thanks to Hardy's turn.

by GARETH JAMIESON
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What's less interesting, mainly due to the writing, are the characters around him. For a film to have Michelle Williams and Riz Ahmed in main roles and give them absolutely nothing of note to work with is terrible.

Williams, as Brock's ex-fiancee Anne, who gets embroiled in his situation, has no character depth and is simply there as a facilitator to the plot, while Ahmed's villainous Drake may have a distinct lack of morality, and an icy-cold detachment, but there's nothing intriguing about the character.

He's a boo-hiss, basic comic-book villain in the extreme, and it's a shame that neither Williams nor Ahmed are used to the potential, as there is certainly scope within the story to delve a little deeper.

Given that the film is 111 minutes long, you would expect a greater narrative depth and weight to proceedings – but there just isn't. There are plot holes and unanswered questions in most parts of the story, while the elements that could create some depth and emotional resonance; Eddie and Anne's relationship, Venom's desire to stay on earth and why, among many – are glossed over or dealt with in one line.

Director Ruben Fleischer has shown with *Zombieland* and *Gangster Squad* that he's a director who is solid at delivering spectacle while also being offbeat enough to give his films an edge.

While he shows that here, introducing an element of knockabout humour, the action beats themselves are highly generic and also fall down with lacklustre CGI, although the rendering of the characters themselves, in particular Venom, is done well.

You can't help but feel that although *Venom* has its moments, there's a better film to be made here, one that has a bit more depth and a little more adventure than this by-the-numbers offering.

Marvel Studios, in particular, have raised the game immeasurably when it comes to comic-book adaptations, and *Venom* is a film caught in their slipstream – functional, the odd fleeting flash of inspiration, but ultimately underwhelming.

VERDICT: Sony's Marvel universe gets off to a mixed start; *Venom* a passable, but hardly inspiring, take on the iconic character.

Tom Hardy delivers another decent turn, but the film wastes its high-calibre cast and offers little that is fresh or exciting. Instead it's a pedestrian outing that could have been so much better. *Average*.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Zombieland* (2009), *Deadpool* (2016).

Carry on screening

ON Saturday, October 13, Dinas Powys Community Cinema will show *The Leisure Seeker*, a comedy starring Helen Mirren and Donald Sutherland.

The cinema can be found at the Murchfield Community Centre, Sunnycroft Lane, Dinas Powys CF64 4QQ. Doors open 6.30pm for a 7pm start.

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Events and entertainment in your area

Ward councillors' surgery

THE Labour Vale and town councillors for Gibbonsdown Ward will be holding an advice surgery on Saturday, October 13 at Coastlands Church Hall, Tennyson Road, Barry from 10am until 11am; no appointment necessary.

Scout jumble

1ST Dinas Powys Scout group jumble sale is on Saturday, October 13 at 1.30.m at the Scout Hall, Highwalls Road, Dinas Powys (CF64 4AG). Admission 50p.

Penarth Heritage Project exhibit

FOLLOWING two years of a history month local residents are invited to further contribute to 'A Heritage Strategy for Penarth'.

Penarth Community Heritage Project are presenting a plan to bring together the public, business, institutions, local government, historians and academia in a coordinated display and celebration of Penarth heritage.

The presentation at Crepe Escape, Glebe Street on Saturday, October 13 at 7pm will feature a new short film, *Penarth's Lost Railway* as an example of a virtual museum and a new railway path town trail.

Harvest thanksgiving

ZOAR Presbyterian Church, Bonvilston, is holding a harvest thanksgiving service on Wednesday, October 17 at 3pm.

The service will be led by Rev Lee Dutfield with afternoon tea to follow. A collection will be taken for the Vale Food Bank; everyone welcome.

Community cinema

FOR the 100th anniversary of the First World War's end, Rhoose Community Cinema is screening *Journey's End* (12a) on Friday, October 19 at Stewart Road Community Centre, Rhoose.

Doors open 6.45pm, showtime 7.15pm. All tickets £5.

There will be a volunteer from The Royal British Legion attending, who will be selling poppy merchandise and Rhoose Community Cinema are proud to be sponsoring the Lamppost Poppies, which will shortly be erected through the village to commemorate our fallen heroes.

For further information on cinema or the Lamppost poppies, contact Jo on 07986 907151.

Choral concert

COWBRIDGE and Pontypridd Choral Societies are joining forces to perform works from Faure's *Requiem* and Vivaldi's *Gloria* at Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge, on Saturday, October 20 at 7pm under the baton of Jeff Ryan.

Soloists are Camilla Roberts, Hannah Ovett and Adam Gilbert with John Cheer at the organ. Admission £10, students free. Tickets available from Davies newsagent, box office 01446 792175, choir members and at the door.

Penarth Local History Society

A TALK by Richard Britton on medieval Cardiff revisited will be held tonight (Thursday, October 11) at All Saints' lesser hall, Penarth at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome, entrance fee £2 for non-members. Please come and support your local history society.

Cowbridge Art Society

ON Thursday, October 11 there will be an assisted workshop which, on this occasion, is a practical evening of life drawing led by members of the society.

The following week, October 18 there will be a still life demonstration in oil paints by Raglan artist Mike Skidmore (*www.mikeskidmoreonline.com*)

The society meets on Thursday evenings at the Old Hall, Cowbridge (7pm – 9pm) and occasional visitors (small fee) and new members are most welcome. For details of the society's programme and activities collect a programme from the Old Hall, or see *www.facebook.com/cowbridgeart.cas*

Lunchtime recitals at All Saints'

ON Saturday, October 13 soprano Olivia Gomez will perform at All Saints' Church, Barry at 1pm.

Admission is free, tea and coffee will be served and all donations received will go towards the All Saints' roof fund.

Table top sale

THERE will be a table top sale in Peterston-super-Ely church and community hall in aid of hall funds on Saturday, October 13 from 10am-12 noon; entry is free and everyone is most welcome.

To book a table and for further details contact Pat on 01446 760267, tables are £5.

This is in addition to the usual village market, where we sell delicious homemade cakes, preserves, produce, plants and a very extensive collection of books. All proceeds go towards the improvement and maintenance of the hall. We are also taking bookings for interesting quality craft stalls for our Christmas Market and Craft Fair to be held on Saturday, December 8 from 10am- 2pm.

Valeways guided walks

ON Sunday, October 14 see Merthyr Dyfan Revealed; meet at 2pm in Tesco car park, Port Road, Barry.

On Wednesday, October 17 at 10.30am the Coffee Shop Strollers of Barry meet in the Bridge Cafe car park, Barry.

The same day at 2.30pm the Coffee Shop Strollers of Cowbridge meet at the Physic Garden fountain in Cowbridge.

Vale Association of National Trust members

THE next meeting of the Association will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday, October 17 in the Baronial Hall of the Duke of Wellington.

The topic will be The Welsh Marches and the speaker will be Andrew Allott (author of 'The Marches' in the Collins New Naturalist series). All are welcome to this meeting, doors open at 7pm.

Marconi's assistant

THE Flatholm Society is hosting a talk on George Kemp, assistant to Marconi, by Glyn Jones of BARS at the Kymin, Beach Road, Penarth at 7.30pm on Thursday, October 18.

We ask for a donation of £2 to cover costs (tea or coffee); there will also be a raffle.

For further information contact Peter Sampson on 01446 404842 or pb.sampson@ntlworld.com.

Marine artist exhibition

POPULAR local marine artist Nick John Rees is returning to Cowbridge with a new exhibition following the success of his sell-out exhibition earlier in the year.

It will feature over 40 original paintings plus a range of signed, limited edition prints. Much of the work features views from along the Heritage Coast but there is also work from further afield.

The exhibition is being held at 23b High Street from October 18 – 28 and will be open every day. For more information see *www.nickjohnrees.com*.

PACT meetings

COME along to Gibbonsdown 'Cuppa with a Copper' held every Monday morning at the Aberaeron HUB, Aberaeron Close between 10am and 12 noon.

Buttrills PACT at Barry Town Council offices on Thursday, October 25 at 6.30pm.

Neighbourhood officers will be at Penarth Library on Tuesday, October 23 at 10am.

A coffee & chat will be held at Cobbles restaurant at 11am on Tuesday, October 23.

Help with Lottery application

BRIDGEND Association of Voluntary Organisations (BAVO) is offering one-to-one appointments at Ynysawdre Parish Room on Wednesday, October 24 for local voluntary organisations and groups to meet staff from the Big Lottery Fund to discuss applying for funding for their projects. 30-minute meetings are available by appointment.

Contact BAVO on 01656 810400 or at *bavo@bavo.org.uk* by Friday, October 19.

Diabetes group meeting cancelled

THE Vale of Glamorgan Diabetes UK voluntary group's meeting of October 16 has been cancelled, and the next meeting will be Tuesday, November 20 in the Board Room, Llandough Hospital, Penarth from 7.30pm – 9pm.

November's speaker will be Dr Lindsay George, consultant physician of diabetes and endocrinology, with diabetes nurses, conducting a question and answer session.

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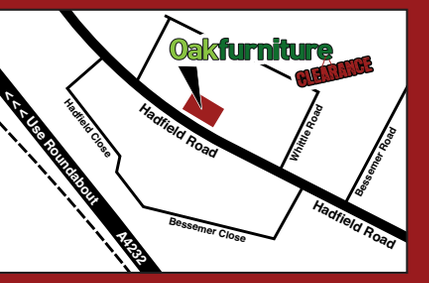

Educating Barry – building the schools to teach thousands of new arrivals

Looking at local history – article by Laurie Owen

BARRY historian Laurie Owen has been writing a series of articles for The GEM on the period (roughly 1880 to 1908) when Barry grew rapidly from a small village to a large town.

In this article, he continues his look at the problems of arranging education for a new population.

THE church school in Cadoxton could no longer cope with a population of 300 in the parish and 150 in Merthyr Dovan; as a result, the Education Department sanctioned the establishment of the first 'School Board' in 1874.

D Davies Joseph, David Griffiths, W Lowrie, R Spickett Thomas and Jenkin Thomas held their first meeting at the old Wenvoe Arms (then The Three Bells). Following objections by some members, the Board Clerk Oliver Jenkins offered the use of his family home, New House.

Cadoxton School.

In June 1875, Lord of the Manor Captain Jenner of Wenvoe Castle gave half an acre of land on the common for the erection of the first Cadoxton School, capable of accommodating 72 children. A quarter of an acre for any future extension was promised, but following his death in May 1883, the estate went into chancery.

The first Master was Thomas Sergeant, followed by Samuel Foster, TO Jenkins, CF Williams of Dinas Powis and then in October 1877, Thomas Ewbank became headteacher.

A single young man from Westmoreland, he initially was a boarder at New House with the family of Oliver Jenkins. After marrying Sarah, the couple lived at 1 Mill Road in 1881 with two young daughters, before moving to Darren House, Iddesleigh Street, confusingly recorded as 'Barry Dock Town' when in fact it was Cadoxton.

By 1880 it was compulsory for children aged 5-10 to attend school, with the leaving age increased to 12 nine years later.

Thomas Andrew Walker, the illustrious contractor who arrived in 1884 to build the Docks and Railway, became an important man in the shaping of the community, leaving some Cadoxton residents unhappy with his power and influence.

When the fifth School Board was appointed in 1885 it was known locally as 'Walker's Board', because of the alleged predominance of 'Walkerian' interests. Dr George Neale was chairman, with CH Walker (then J Barstow), James Railton (ED Jones), R Spickett Thomas, John John and Oliver Jenkins as clerk.

The doctor, a civil engineer, two farmers and a surveyor soon realised the enormity of the job in hand.

As illustrated, TA Walker opened a school for the children of his workers at 57 Queen Street, doubtless causing irritation to some.

Before work began on the docks, there were 134 children living in 126 houses, on paper an average of one child per house. However, 577 houses had since been erected and the school was crammed with pupils, forcing them to find space for infants in the new public hall in Vere Street at a rental of £40 pa.

The first extension 50L x 25W x 15 feet high had been built for £1,024 by 1887, to accommodate 240 pupils.

HM Inspectors examined Cadoxton School in November 1889, classifying the overall teaching as 'good', but accommodation was totally inadequate for the number of children. 'Grant' money of 17s 6d per head, would be lost if they did not provide the requisite space per child and good attendance.

In desperation, they sought to limit the space to eight feet per child, until they could supply enough room. Ironically, while unable to accommodate the numbers of children needing education, David Griffiths was still employed as Attendance Officer to pursue truants, with parents often being fined.

With 986 schoolchildren in Cadoxton and 485 in Merthyr Dovan, providing an education for such numbers in just two schools was impossible. East Barry averaged 300 pupils for its first three months, until measles forced the school to close for three weeks.

At a Board meeting, Joshua Barstow c1834 reflected on conditions when he was a boy, with most children over six working in factories or collieries and leaving for work at 5am in all weathers.

This was likely a response to complaints of overcrowding and pupils being so cold they had to march around the room to keep warm, because two oil lamps could not give enough heat.

ED Jones reported that TA Walker would supply water to the schools from the reservoir he had constructed just above the old Iron Church, where St Paul's would later be built. With the cost set at one guinea a year, Mr Barstow suggested that as the mains were being laid, a hydrant should be fixed in case of fire.

David Davies completed his £1,900 contract to further enlarge the school in 1891 and the official opening in May, was a grand affair with the great and the good in attendance. Chairman John Lowdon was proud to announce that 240 girls would be upstairs and 249 boys in the basement, with the old school converted for 798 infants.

Just three years later, the £6,957 tender from George Rutter to further extend the school was accepted.

Of interest to some older residents of Barry, in November 1891 Manchester siblings Joseph and Emily Wensley were teaching the boys and girls respectively. Twenty years later, Joseph had married and was living at 22 Canon Street with son George Richard and daughter Evelyn Pattie aged 7. It seems possible that when I attended Romilly Juniors in the 1940s our headmistress Miss Wensley was that young girl of seven in 1911.

Cadoxton was growing three times as fast as East Barry and the suggested bias referred to earlier reared its head when a new school costing £3,744.10s was built at High Street, with no extra facilities being supplied at Cadoxton.

East Barry School opened in August 1889 and in time would have three separate blocks for different ages with a Master's Residence at a rental of £20pa. Thomas Higman was proud to be awarded the 1st Class Master's Certificate in December.

The school which was 'not urgently required' was soon overcrowded and just four years later, extensions were built by George Rutter. With a large cooking kitchen in the basement for 80 girls, it could accommodate 230 boys, 240 girls and 180 infants.

In October 1908, even more space was provided by William Britton for £6,308.

Barry Docks Office by Cath Mudford.

At the opening ceremony, the committee were pleased to announce that they had spent a total of £137,000 on land and schools, currently employed 280 teachers with 250 of them being trained. There were 7,246 scholars with average attendance of 93.44 per cent and importantly, with only 32 pupils in a class.

In 1891, John Edwin Rees was appointed the new head of East Barry to replace Mr Higman, who was transferring to Holton.

In June 1890, the School Board had a major review of salaries in an effort to attract the best teachers. Headmasters would in future be paid £150pa rising to £170, while a trained Mistress received £60-70 and teachers' salaries varied by qualifications between £40-70.

Grants paid to schools based on pupils' exam success was abolished.

All children living outside the district had to pay a full school fee of 9d a week. With fees averaging 3d a week per child, in the 1891 half-year the Board received £166 and a £350 grant based on pupil attendance. At the same meeting Miss AE Burbidge asked for a wage increase because she had recently passed the necessary exam, but members refused even though her colleague at school had been granted the rise.

On the 1st September 1891, it was announced that education would now be free. This would be of major significance to pauper children, who could finally attend a 'normal' school and it opened up a whole new world. The School Board had been advised that they would be better off with grants than they had been with school fees.

The school week began on Monday, August 31 with free education on Tuesday, so the Board agreed to give pupils a holiday on the Monday in celebration of this special occasion.

With urgent need in the Holton area a temporary infants' school was held in October 1890 at the Congregational Chapel, costing £30pa.

Holton Road Infants School opened on November 2, 1891 and Miss EV Llewellyn was selected out of 41 applicants to leave Cadoxton to be its Headmistress, with Miss MJ Wilcox replacing her.

To celebrate the completion of Holton Road Elementary School at a cost of £15,242, in December 1891 builder W Symonds gave a lavish dinner at the Royal Hotel, in thanks to all the Barry men who had worked on the school.

Amazingly there were 188 applicants, but Thomas Higman was promoted from East Barry School as Head of Boys.

Out of 43 applications and actually the second choice candidate, Miss Jemima Sym Fleming LLA was chosen to be the Girls' Mistress. Her vast experience and comprehensive CV, with certificates for teaching French, German, Latin, algebra, Euclid, physiology and botany as well as all the basics, begged the question why she had not been appointed from the outset. As an accomplished singer who also played the piano, her starting salary was £60pa in comparison with the £150 of Mr. Higman, further highlighting the position of women in the profession.

On a positive note, the school would be heated by hot water pipes instead of open fires. Thomas Higman died in 1902 after a long and painful illness and during his time as headmaster, this was the largest elementary school in Wales.

Romilly Infants' School opened in November 1893, with headmistress SJ Lowther and accommodation for 400 children. Built by George Rutter for £3,000 on an acre of land bought from the Barry Estate Company, there was enough room for the later addition of a boys' and girls' school.

This was the fourth school built by the School Board which now provided accommodation for 3,200 children, excluding St Helen's School which was funded by the Catholic Church.

When Romilly Girls' School was built five years later, George Rutter's tender was £68 dearer than Jones Bros, so their price of £2,265 was accepted. Then in 1905, when tenders were sought to build the Romilly Boys' School, a marathon debate ensued when a quote from the local builder William Britton of £4,865.10s was accepted, even though it was £67.10s higher than that of DW Davies.

The Cardiff builder protested vehemently and was supported by many councillors who insisted this was a dangerous precedent and one which could backfire in the future. To favour a local man and not accept the lowest price was against the usual practice when dealing with ratepayers' money.

William Britton duly erected the boys' school and in January 1906 attended the formal opening, when he was commended for his workmanship. Among a large group of influential people, headmaster RT Evans formerly at Barry Island announced it could accommodate 346 boys in seven classrooms with a large assembly hall.

The headmistress of Barry Island Infants' School, Miss Masterman, was provided with a piano for musical drill in May 1898. Jones Bros later built the first 'mixed' Elementary School in Barry, at a cost of £6,000 and when opened in May 1900, the headmaster was RT Evans.

In July 1897, Cardiff builder David Davies' tender of £2,940 was accepted, to build Palmerstown Infants' School. Following several delays and a dispute with the architect, Miss Hirons was finally selected as headmistress in early 1899.

Alban Richards' £12,862.7s.5d tender to build Hannah Street School was accepted in October 1898, costing more per head than any school built prior to that time. Following delays, it was early 1900 before the infants' School opened, with Miss Hirons as headmistress, having transferred from Palmerstown.

When the boys' school opened the headmaster was JE Rees with a salary of £240 and Miss Fraser was headmistress of the girls' school. In late 1904, the surveyor was asked to cost the supply of electricity to the school from the destructor.

In February 1906, the Education Committee recommended that Alban Richards build Gladstone Road School, playground and caretaker's house for £16,790. The infants' school opened the following May with headmistress Miss Jenkins, having transferred from Holton.

Four months later headmaster Lloyd Jones and headmistress Lizzie Cargill were in position at the boys' and girls' school. Described as the best in town and the most up-to-date in the country, the buildings could accommodate 402 boys, 402 girls and 400 infants, with great emphasis on the pupils being properly fed and clothed.

In 1906, councils were given the power to provide free school meals, with breakfast and dinner to cost about 1s a week, but six years later only 50 per cent had complied because they were paid out of the rates. Better-off families, of course, had to pay.

Rumours of a girls' secondary school began, when governors of the Intermediate County School were seen with county councillors, inspecting the site adjoining Gladstone.

The eight Board Schools illustrated the sheer volume of young people in need of a good education in those early years. The various board members and councillors could take satisfaction from a job well done, especially alongside the many other demands on their time.

St Helen's Catholic School, the two county schools, the truant school at Dinas Powis and the training college, will feature in the final part of this story.

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ON A WING AND A PRAYER: LOCAL MEN TAKE TO THE SKIES IN WORLD WAR ONE

IN another of The GEM's specially-commissioned articles in advance of Remembrance Sunday, military historian Dr Jonathan Hicks writes on local airmen who fought in the First World War.

ON November 29, 1917 an Act of Parliament establishing the Royal Air Force received the Royal Assent of King George V. Until 1918, and the formation on April 1 of the Royal Air Force by the combining of the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Naval Air Service, the RFC was part of the British Army and was divided into naval and military wings.

Wales provided pilots, observers, ground crew and other logistical support to all branches of the service.

On December 20, 1914 Captain Wilfred Picton-Warlow took off from the Air Park at St Omer in France in a Blériot XI two-seater monoplane. He was on his way back home on leave, and it was the custom under such circumstances to allow pilots to fly a redundant aircraft back to Britain. The Blériot XI was being taken out of service at this time as it was found to be too slow in climbing with a full military load.

Picton-Warlow was born at Laleston in Bridgend on April 6, 1884. He was the younger son of Colonel John Picton Turbevill of Ewenny Priory, Bridgend and a relation of General Thomas Picton of Waterloo fame. Educated at Clifton College and Elizabeth College, Guernsey, he had joined the Guernsey Militia and subsequently the Welsh Regiment in January 1903. He served with the battalion in India and South Africa before joining the Royal Flying Corps in August 1913.

He was last seen flying over Calais but he never arrived in England and was presumed dead, aged 30. Although the visibility from Calais to Dover was clear, there were some high banks of cloud and it was assumed that Picton-Warlow had flown into these, lost his bearings, become disoriented and crashed; perhaps even running out of fuel beforehand.

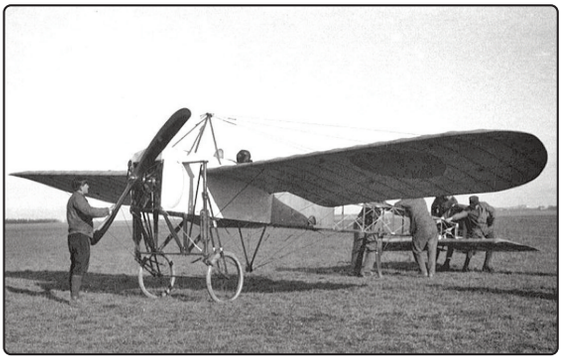
He left behind a widow, Eleanor, and is commemorated on the Arras Flying Services Memorial. Ivor his brother served with the 1st Gordon Highlanders and was taken prisoner in September 1914, spending the rest of the war in internment. Ivor's twin brother Arthur joined the East African Rifles and died of malaria on active service on November 8, 1917.

Captain David Roy Jenkins died on January 21, 1917 aged 28 and was buried in St Mary Churchyard in Nolton, Bridgend. His parents lived nearby in Brackla. A local newspaper reported his death:

'***Sad End to Promising Career***

We deeply regret to announce the death, as the result of a flying accident on Salisbury Plain of Captain D Roy Jenkins, RFC, son of Mr Jacob Jenkins, Bridgend, head of the firm of Messrs Charles Jenkins and Son, timber merchants. The intimation reached Bridgend on Sunday last through a wire from a brother officer, Lieutenant Eric Hughes (son of Sir Thomas Hughes, Cardiff).'

'The accident occurred on Sunday morning. Lieutenant Jenkins seems to have gone up about mid-day, alone. He was up about a couple of hours, when it was surmised that something went wrong with the mechanism of the machine, and he fell. He was found some three miles from the camp. It is a strange and melancholy coincidence that the last flying accident on Salisbury Plain resulted in the death of another Bridgend officer, Lieutenant W Irvine.



Flying on a wing (and with string) and a prayer: a Blériot XI.

Captain David Jenkins, Royal Flying Corps.

'Captain Jenkins, who was the younger son of Mr. Jacob Jenkins, was for several years a lieutenant in the RFA (Territorial Force), under Colonel Gilling. About eighteen months ago he was promoted to the rank of captain. After training in England, he went with his brigade to France. He was only two months in that country, being then drafted out to Egypt, where he remained for nine months. At the end of that time he volunteered for the Flying Service in France, and came home for the necessary instruction. He had only been at the camp on Salisbury Plain since a fortnight last Monday.

'Captain Jenkins was 27 years of age, and before the war managed for his father the Tunnel Works at Fforest Fach, near Swansea. A brilliant hockey player, he was captain of the Bridgend Hockey Club. He was educated at Christ College, Brecon, and Clifton School.'

The Bridgend platoon of the Glamorgan Volunteers provided a firing party at the head of the funeral procession from his home to St Mary's Church, Nolton. Mrs Jenkins, who was an invalid, suffered heart problems after receiving news of her son's death and died in April 1917.

Air Mechanic 2nd Class Ivor Morgan was 20 when he died of pneumonia at a casualty clearing station on November 7, 1918. He was serving as a wireless operator with 10 Squadron and was from Marlas Farm, Pyle in Bridgend. He was buried in Kezelberg Military Cemetery, east of Ypres.

Air Mechanic 3rd Class Walter John Sheppard died of illness on the same day and was buried in St Mary churchyard, Coity, Bridgend.

Air Mechanic 2nd Class C Grove, 25, died on September 30, 1919. He was buried in St Mary churchyard, Nolton, Bridgend in his home town.

Captain Eric Yorath Hughes also achieved five victories. Born in Bridgend on July 6, 1894 the elder son of Sir Thomas and Lady Hughes, he had served with the Royal Field Artillery from November 1914 in France and Egypt before volunteering for the Royal Flying Corps in August 1916. He joined 46 Squadron in June 1917.

On September 4, 1917 he shot down an Albatros two-seater south of the River Scarpe. A week later, again south of the Scarpe, he shot down an unidentified two-seater and repeated the feat on September 21.

On December 1, he destroyed an Albatros D.III over Cambrai. All these victories were gained flying a Sopwith Pup. He then switched to a Sopwith Camel with 3 Squadron and on December 12 achieved his fifth and final victory when he shot down an Albatros DV, also over Cambrai. He was then withdrawn from front line service.

Hughes survived the war and was a wing commander during the Second World War before retiring from the RAF in 1947. He married Dulcie Maine-Tucker of Penarth on December 17, 1919 in London and died in Hove in Sussex in September 1979.

We will remember them.

***Dr Jonathan Hicks is the author of* Wales and the First Air War 1914-1918.**

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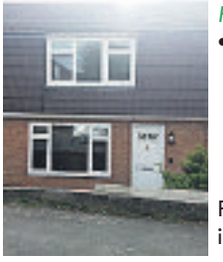

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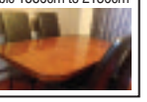

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In loving memory of Doreen, who passed away peacefully on 1st October at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, aged 87. Loved by all she knew, Nanna to all she met, Doreen loved and lived life to the full until the very last minute.

She will be greatly missed by all of us.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 23rd October, service 11.30am at St Peter's Church, Rhoose, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Vale Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 1pm.

Family flowers only, donations if desired to St Peter's Church Youth and Children's Ministry c/o the funeral director.

USHER
James

Suddenly at home on 26th September 2018, James, aged 73 years. Much loved partner of Marion, son-in-law of Doris, and brother-in-law to David, Valerie and Ed.

James will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. The funeral service will be held at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Wednesday, 17th October at 1pm. Funeral attire not required.

Family flowers only. Donations if desired can be made at the service to MIND.

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WEBSTER
Frederick (Fred)

Suddenly but peacefully on 3rd October, Fred, aged 90 years. A loving uncle to his nieces and nephews.

Fred will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

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The family wish to thank all at Milsom House Nursing Home and Churchfields care service for their care of Fred.

GILL
Gerald James Gerry (Tucker)

Suddenly after a short illness at Holme Tower Penarth on 28th September, Gerry, aged 75 years. Beloved husband of Jill, much loved dad of Marie, father-in-law to Danny, adored gramps of Rebecca and Jamie, also a loved brother-in-law of Jean and Ken.

Gerry will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Thursday, 18th October at 10.30am, followed by interment at St Andrews Cemetery.

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MILLER
Rhodri Dafydd

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TOBIN
Terence (Terry)

On 28th September at Llandough Hospital, Terry of Colcot Road, Barry, passed away peacefully after bravely fighting ill health. Adored husband of Sandra, loved dad to Steve and the late Paul. Much loved grandfather and great grandfather who will be missed by all his family and friends. Also thanks to Father Pat for his visit.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Gladstone Road, Barry, until the service on Wednesday, 17th October at St Helen's RC Church at 11am, followed by committal at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry.

Family flowers only by request. There will be a gathering afterwards at the Park Hotel for anyone wishing to attend.

DIXON
Maureen

The family of Maureen Dixon regret to announce her passing in Canada in her 80th year on 3rd September 2018.

Maureen was the widow of the late Councillor Brian Dixon, a long time RAFA club and a proud Butlin's employee. Maureen is survived by her daughter, Caryl (Canada), her son, Gareth (Sunderland), 3 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Despite the distance Maureen maintained many close friendships in the Barry area and will be greatly missed by all.

WILLIAMS
Glyn Leroy

Peacefully passed away at Llandough Hospital on 23rd September 2018. Beloved husband to the late Patricia Ann, special father to Deborah and Nicola, dear father-in-law, cherished grandfather and great grandfather.

Will be sadly missed by family and friends.

Funeral service to be held on Thursday, 18th October 2018 at Thornhill Crematorium, Briwnant Chapel at 12.45pm. Immediate family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if desired, in Glyn's memory to Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth.

All enquiries to Green Willow Funerals, 21a Station Road, Dinas Powys, CF64 4DE. Tel: 029 2051 4627.

JESSETT
Elizabeth Frances

Peacefully after a short illness on 27th September at Barry Hospital, aged 87 years, Elizabeth passed away surrounded by her family. Beloved wife of the late William, and much loved mother of David, Shirley and Caroline. Mother-in-law to Liz, Tim and the late Alan. Adored grandmother of Claire,Victoria, Sharon, Richard, Emma and Natalie and cherished great grandmother to all her eight great grandchildren.

She will be missed by all her family and those who knew her.

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PATERSON
David

The family wish to thank everyone who attended Dave's recent funeral. The turnout, especially by so many motorcycle friends, was an amazing spectacle which showed how much he was loved by the biking fraternity.

Special thanks to Rebecca and her team at A.G. Adams Funeralcare for their care, professionalism and attention to detail and to Lorraine Barrett who conducted the service with a perfect blend of sympathy and humour. Many thanks to everyone who donated to the British Heart Foundation.

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No flowers by request, donations if desired to Marie Curie Cancer Care c/o the funeral director.

EVANS
John Gordon Charles (Jack)

Peacefully on 3rd October at Barry Hospital, after a long illness borne with great fortitude, Jack of Marine Drive, Barry. Beloved husband of the late Freda Elizabeth, adored father of Nick and Roger. Much adored grandpa to Gabrielle and Amelia, dear brother of the late Norman and Eric.

Much missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Barry, until the service on Thursday, 18th of October at A.G. Adams Service Chapel at 1pm, followed by committal at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium.

No flowers by request but donations, if desired, can be made at the service or sent directly to Kidney Research UK, Nene Hall, Peterborough Business Park, Lynch Wood, Peterborough, PE2 6FZ.

DAVIES
Susan (Sue) Mary
(née Rice)

It is with great sadness the family of Sue announce her sudden passing after a long illness, bravely fought with humour and tenacity on Sunday, 30th September 2018 at the Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend. Sue is survived by her dearly loving husband of 51 years, David, and by her children Claire and Nigel to whom she was a devoted mum and best friend. A loving sister to Terry and sister-in-law to Susan, Frances and Keith. Sue will be sadly missed by her extended loving family and her many loyal friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Monday, 22nd October, service 12.30 at St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Wordsworth Avenue, Penarth, CF64 2RL, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry, CF62 9PX at 2pm.

Family flowers only, donations if desired to Macmillan Cancer Support.

LEACH
Albert Gwyn (Gwyn)

It is with great sadness we have to announce the peaceful passing of Gwyn of Barry Road, Barry on 30th September 2018. Loving husband of Eileen, much loved father of Robert and the late Susan. A cherished grandfather and great grandfather (Gi).

Gwyn will be deeply missed by all who loved and knew him.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at All Saints Church, Barry on Thursday, 18th October at 2pm, followed by committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, may be given towards Velindre Cancer Centre.

BEAUMONT
Margaret

In heaven you rest, no worry or pain, God bless you until we meet again your dearly loved family.

Much loved wife of the late Ken, loving mother to Martin, Anita and Mark. Mother-in-law of Carline and Mandy. A much loved nan to Alexander, Amelia, Liam and Daniel and all her grandchildren.

Funeral service at Coychurch Crematorium on Friday, 19th October at 1.15pm. No flowers by request. Donations may be sent to MacMillian Cancer Support. Black attire optional.

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It is with great sadness that we announce the sad passing of Lynda, on Friday, 28th September 2018, aged 64 years. A beloved mum to Felicity, Lloyd and Liberty and a special sister to Stephen. A cherished and adored nan and auntie, a devoted and caring friend, who will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until her service at St Curig's Church, Porthkerry, Rhoose on Friday, 19th October at 11am, followed by interment at Porthkerry Cemetery, Rhoose.

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Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to Lyndsay J Ellis. For enquiries please contact 01446 407962.

HULLAH
Derek

Peacefully on 27th September, Derek of Cowbridge (formerly of Beddau); beloved husband of the late Joan, loving father of Nigel and Joy, respected father-in-law of Derek and a much loved grandfather of Daniel, Dominic and Lowri.

Will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral Thursday, 18th October, service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 2.15pm, where friends please meet. Flowers or if preferred donations to Wales Air Ambulance c/o W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. (Tel 01443 223368).

The family would sincerely like to thank the passers-by for their kindness and help when Derek had his recent fall.

WALTON
John Terence (Terry)

Terry passed away suddenly after a brief illness on Friday, the 28th of September, aged 85 years, at Llandough Hospital. Terry was well known and respected in Llantwit Major and surrounding communities for his years as a Master Electrician and Plumber.

He is survived in Wales by his sister-in-law, Ann Walton, and nephews Andrew and Jeremy; sister-in-law Betty Walton, and nephew Michael, grand- nephew Alex and grand- niece Beth; and in Canada by nephew Roderick (Joyce) and grand-niece Brooke.

Terry will be sadly missed by his loving family and a very wide circle of friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James and Sons, Fonmon. Funeral service will take place Friday, 26th October at 3.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu of flowers , if desired, may be made at the funeral service to Cancer Research UK. A reception will follow at the King's Head Pub, Llantwit Major.

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Millie's medal success in championships

NOT only is she vice-captain of the Great Britain youth team, but Llantwit Major's own Millie Wiggins earned a gold medal in the Surf Ski on the first day of beach events at the European Lifesaving Championships in Ireland.

On day two of the beach events Millie got another medal for Team GB, taking bronze in the beach sprint.

It's rare to achieve medals in both sea and beach events, so Millie's achievement is pretty remarkable.

Day three of the beach events, and the final day of the championships, saw Millie win silver in the flags and was also part of the gold medal-wining Taplin Relay Event (Ski, Board, Swim and Run) with her teammates Ellie McCloy, Emma Kendall and Merial Cloud.

At the end of a remarkable week of competition, Millie came home with four European medals, while Team GB were crowned King of the Beach, which is an outstanding achievement against 12 other countries.

Millie and her teammates are back training hard, ready to compete in the World Surf Lifesaving Champions in Adelaide, Australia in November.

Millie would like to thank the people who have helped and supported her – Icon Sports, Snugg Wetsuits, Newquay; Bryn Illtyn Trust, Llantwit Major and Nina Davies Opticians, Llantwit Major. **AL**

Kayakers impress in Flanders Cup

A LOCAL group of sprint kayakers have had another successful competition in Belgium in the annual Flanders Cup in Sobeka racing as team Cymru.

Races took place on September 8-9, racing over 200, 500, 1000, 2000 and 5000 meters in k1 (single kayak), k2 (double kayak) and k4 (4 person kayak). Everyone did exceptionally well and enjoyed racing with athletes from different countries. Throughout the weekend there was a great team spirit, everyone supported each other and had a brilliant time.

Paddlers raced extremely well against some tough competition. Team Cymru brought home lots of medals and were very pleased with the results. A rewarding end to a season full of hard work!

Some results include: Henry Devonald, who made great improvements from last year, reaching finals in all his events, winning two gold medals and one silver over single and crew events; Geraint Ap Cooke, under-16, won a bronze medal in his K4 event and made amazing improvements from the following year against really tough competition.

Hannah Stephens, under-18, achieved three bronze medals and three silver medals over single and crew events and especially enjoyed teaming up with a Belgian paddler in the K2 200m event where they won a bronze medal.

Jasmine Holland, under-14, was the first-placed Welsh girl in the 2000m event and fifth overall after a season of working really hard on longer distances her hard work is paying off.

She also achieved a bronze medal with Erin Bell, Scarlett James and Rosa Davidson in the k4 500m.

Megan Huggings, under-16, won a bronze medal in her K2, while Sam Hodgson, under-16, raced an incredible 200m K1 heat and, with lots of cheering from team members, made the final.

Cerys Bell and Caitlin Arnold, under-18, both raced excellent K1 events, making finals as well as winning medals in crew events and Mathew Rowlands made semi-finals and finals over k1 and crew events.

The team would like to say a big thank you to Dan and Elena Golder who did an incredible job at organising the trip, driving, adding to the team's medal collection and being a great support as usual. Also thanks go to Richard who drove and supported.

Everyone is now preparing for a hard winter of training ready for next year! **HS**

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The eligibility criteria include the following: applicants must be Vale residents; participate in a sport that is recognised by Sport Wales and be affiliated to the appropriately recognised National Governing Body of Sport; must have reached Welsh or British squad status and represented their country in their sport in the previous year and be in a position to achieve further international honours in the following year.

Contact KJDavies@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk or 01446 704793 for further information and an application form - the deadline for applications is Tuesday, December 11.

When point-to-point came to the Vale – part eight

ANOTHER extract from Brian Lee's long out of print book The Races Came Off – The story of point-to-point racing in South and West Wales.

A public notice in the Western Mail warned those riders who intended to compete in the Glamorgan Hunt point-to-point 1909, that any person taking part in these races would be liable to disqualification should they inspect the course prior to the races.

The meeting was held on a Wednesday at Ewenny, and throughout the day the rain came down in torrents. There were seven runners in the heavyweight race and Major Edmunde's *Caleb* took the event for the third time.

The Major's knowledge of the country was a big advantage, but even so he had to pull out all the stops to beat the canny Dr Moynan, who came second on *The Mackintosh's Merry Lad*.

The lightweight race attracted a field of 12, but it soon developed into a battle between the brothers Arthur and Godfrey Masters. In an exciting finish, Arthur, on *Hotspur* pipped Godfrey riding *Banshee*.

The farmers' race was won by Mr E Watts' *Tom Dunn*, with Fred Chick's *Havana* taking second place.

However, the third horse, Mr WC Blake's *Bob*, would have won easily but for coming to grief at the brook which was flooded and gave his owner/rider a real soaking.

There was some talk of a two mile match on the flat coming off between the second and third in this race, but unfortunately there is no record I have discovered of it having done so.

This was the year that the Gelligaer Foxhounds held their first annual point-to-point. The races took place on a Thursday near Blackwood.

In a marquee where luncheon was provided for the gentry, Lord Tredegar of Balaclava fame, who had celebrated his 78th birthday the day before (April 28), proposed a toast to 'The King' and congratulated His Majesty on his recent win in the 2000 Guineas classic race.

There were four races and cups were presented by the licensed victuallers of Blackwood, Dr RTE Davies, JP of New Tredegar, and the committee of the Hunt.

The heavyweight race went to David Jones' *Sir Richard,* and Dr William Reidy's *Charlie* took the lightweight event.

**Brian Lee is the author of the best-selling Racing Rogues – The Scams, Scandals and Gambles of Horse Racing in Wales, published by St David's Press.*

Seniors in stableford golf action

ST Mary's Golf Club's senior section's main competition of the week was an individual Stableford with 29 members playing off yellow tee boxes.

Andrew Lane and Order of Merit contender Ian Taylor both carded 38 points, but after a count-back the victory was awarded to Taylor.

Subsequently, Andrew Lane very sportingly disqualified himself after recalling an inadvertent rule infringement on the 13th green, handing second place to Roger Hatton who returned 36 points.

Section captain, Hugh Williams, also scored 36 points but lost out on a count-back to Hatton.

Two days later, 23 of their number played a Texas Scramble in teams of three. This is a popular format in which the best of the three drives is selected on every hole and each of the three team members play their second shots from that position.

Third shots are again played from a preferred position and this continues through to the final putt.

With three choices on every shot, scores are expected to be low and with a sub 60 net score of 56, vice-captain David Hughes and team-mates Gareth Jones and Brian Peacock secured the win. **NL**

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Footballers set to compete in the Rod Houston Cup

ON October 12-14, Ysgol Gymreag Bro Morgannwg under-14 girls football team will be representing Wales in the Rod Houston Cup, organised by the Schools Association Football International Board (SAFIB).

YGBM team qualified for the tournament after winning the Welsh Schools Cup in May, where they beat seven schools to reach the Welsh final and clinched the title with a 1-0 victory against Ysgol Glan Clwyd.

The team now travel to Lilleshall National Sports Centre in Shropshire as Welsh Champions to compete against three of the five home nation countries in a three day tournament.

England, the host nation, will have two teams in the tournament – St Ivo School, Huntingdon and Bohunt School, Wokingham – together with the Irish champions Sacred Heart School, Westport; Scotland and Northern Ireland did not participate this year.

Miss Bethan Price, PE teacher, commented: "Women's football is becoming a major sporting event and we are delighted to see the girls achieve success at national level. They have all played extremely well and everyone at YGBM is wishing them 'pob lwc' for this tournament." **MG**

Caz and Mary are Barry darts league doubles champions

WITH the new season of the Barry Darts League under way, it was the ladies' doubles tournament that took place at Barry Town FC on Friday evening.

With the competition well supported by all teams in the league, an enjoyable night was had by all as Caz Anderson and Mary Jennings took the title, defeating Nikki Wyman and Tracy Edwards in the final.

With both duos winning their semi-final matches in comfortable fashion, it was anyone's guess as to who would take the crown.

The first four legs went with the throw but the first turning point came when Wyman confidently hit double five to take a 3-2 lead and throw for the match.

Anderson and Jennings hit back emphatically to take the match to a deciding leg. Nerves were a factor as both duos missed match darts, but Jennings struck double one to take the title.

The Barry Darts League would like to thank Mark Barrett and Barry Town FC for hosting and sponsoring the event. The league would also like to thank everyone who took part and supported in what was a fantastic evening of darts.

It's not too late to join the fun. If you are interested in getting involved with the Barry Darts League, whether it be playing or sponsoring, search 'Barry Darts League' on Facebook. **AB**

ABOVE: Caz Anderson and Mary Jennings.

Flint strikes at Southwell

VALE trainer John Flint landed the opening Bramley Apple Handicap Chase over two miles at Southwell on Tuesday with his eight-year-old *Cillian's Well*.

The top weighted 3-1 co-favourite, confidently ridden by Hereford-born Richard Patrick, won easing up by 17 lengths from *Stormbay*, one of the other two co-favourites.

Aberthin's Tim Vaughan sent two horses to Warwick on Thursday and won with both of them.

His five-year-old *Trixster*, a 5-2 shot, landed the Penguin Pay Maiden Hurdle by three lengths from the favourite *Pontresina*, and his seven-year-old *Canton Prince*, who carried top weight of 12 stone, took the Ignite Incentives Handicap Hurdle when beating the favourite fellow Vale trainer Evan Williams' *Voodoo Doll*, partnered by Evan's daughter Isabel, by three lengths.

Canton Prince was returned at odds of 13-2 and champion jockey Richard Johnson, who rode both winners, also won the opening Novices' Hurdle on the Olly Murphy-trained *General Custard*. **BRIAN LEE**

On and Off The Turf with Brian Lee

CAN you name the people in this picture?

The gentleman on the right of the picture is E. Creighton Griffiths of Romilly House, Romily Park, Barry, a military man who was educated at Howard Gardens in Cardiff.

His racing colours were blue and white hoops, blue cap and red hoops and he is said to have run a big advertising agency in Cardiff.

His trainer in the 1960s was Atty Corbett and apparently his best racehorses were four-times winner *Sidney House* and *Berenice*.

The dam of both these horses was *Kilbeg,* who I believe was the same *Kilbeg* which I saw running in Welsh point-to-points in the 1950s.

Sidney House was trained by the Vale's Ifor Lewis, and former amateur rider Jim Thomas, who farms at St Athan, believes the other man in the picture is Evo Lewis, the son of Mrs Posy Lewis, trainer of two-time Welsh Grand National winner *Limonali*.

Another trainer of Creighton Griffiths' horses was Joseph Emlyn Morgan of Brockworth Court, Gloucester, and the best horse he ever trained was *Shahjem,* the holder of the English two mile hurdle record at Warwick in the December of 1955.

**If you can provide any information with regards to the people in the picture then please e-mail brianlee4@virginmedia.com or phone him on 02920736438.*

Whitmore Bay club celebrate a good end to their season

WHITMORE Bay Surf Life Saving club, based at Barry Island Beach, is celebrating a fantastic end to the 2018 season.

The Nipper and Junior sections have competed locally and nationally with some outstanding success and an empowering team ethos.

Both Nippers and Junior teams have competed in the Welsh Surf Life Saving Championships, Great British Championship in Cornwall and local carnivals throughout south Wales, resulting in many medals, top 10 individual positions, team relay events and the best overall club positions.

Water events include: Swims, Board, Taplin, Board Rescue, Super Nipper and water relays and beach events include Beach flags, Relays, sprints and 1km long run.

The club is also celebrating receiving much-needed funding from the YMCA, so the club can continue to develop welcome new members and educate local children and young adults in water safety and first aid whilekeeping fit and having fun.

Membership enquires: whitmoremembership@gmail.com.

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The Nipper team.

Outstanding result in the Welsh under-11 girls Beach flags, with gold for Lily Foscolo, silver for Neave Cummins and bronze for Ruby Hadfield, along with top 10 places for Amiah Friday and Evie Wride.

Bridgend Bridge Club latest news

THE latest results for Bridgend Bridge Club are as follows.

On October 3: first, Alan Heath and Geoff Barnes; second, Tony Disley and Steve Burgoyne; equal third, Graham Jones and Irene Thomas, and Norma and David Newman. The winners on handicap were Tony Disley and Steve Burgoyne.

On October 4: first, Stewart Norton and Ivor Hicks; second, Peter Rowley and Stuart Davies; third, Leila O'Hagan and Barry Collins. The winners on handicap were Peter Rowley and Stuart Davies.

On October 5: first, Marjorie Morris and Bill Turner; second Tony Disley and Julian Pottage; third, Brian and Noreen Quinlan. The winners on handicap were Marjorie Morris and Bill Turner.

Regular club nights take place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at Nolton church hall. Play is scheduled to start at 7pm, to enable a prompt start, it helps if players arrive at least 10 minutes early.

On Friday, October 12 is the President's Cup where partners are drawn on the night, and one can be found if you don't have a partner on the night.

On Thursday afternoons at 2pm, again at Nolton church hall, there is a gentle bridge session when help is available with the bidding. All sessions are played in a friendly manner, visitors and new members are always welcome.

On Thursdays there is a session starting at 1pm on slightly advanced techniques of bidding and play. This week Steve Burgoyne will present a seminar on signalling after partner's opening lead.

A new course of bridge lessons has started on Monday afternoons at Nolton from 3:30pm to 5:30pm and it's not too late to join the course. For more information contact Steve Burgoyne on 01656 661968 or email Steve at steve@steveburgoyne.plus.com.

Bridgend man is new sponsor of Welsh Champion Hurdle

Bridgend's Jonathan Tudor is presented with the Dunraven Bowl by Lady Dunraven and sponsor David Brace at Chepstow Racecourse in 2017.

DAVID BRACE, chairman of the Dunraven Group, well-known in the Vale and a great supporter of point-to-point and National Hunt racing, has announced that the Dunraven Group will be the new sponsor of the Welsh Champion Hurdle – the most important race of the year at Ffos Las Racecourse.

The race with prize money of £45,000 will be staged at Britain's youngest National Hunt racecourse, Ffos Las on October 20.

Phil Bell, executive director of Chepstow and Ffos Las said: "We are very grateful for the support of the Dunraven Group. They already sponsor an evening's racing at Chepstow, which includes the popular Dunraven Bowl, and it is great news they they have extended their support to Ffos Las for the high-quality contest."

Mr Brace, a leading owner/trainer of point-to-pointers for many years, said: "We have a record of supporting horse racing across Wales and we are delighted to support the Welsh Champion Hurdle for the first time. It is a great race to be associated with and we look forward to seeing a quality field line up for the prize."

Mr Brace's grandson, Connor Brace (18), who has joined leading jumps trainer Fergal O'Brien as a conditional rider, had a tremendous point-to-point season winning national and Welsh novice rider titles and he has already ridden a winner under Rules.

James' medal joy at championships

JAMES Savory recently competed in the Welsh leg of the ParaBadminton Championships in Cardiff.

The day started with James competing in the men's singles – he had some very tough and close games in the morning and finished just outside the medals.

In the afternoon, the men's doubles began with James playing with his doubles partner Stephen Davies from Wrexham.

They had a hard road through to the final, and this was played as the best of three games. The pair had a slow start, losing the first game 21-18, but in the second and third games they both played as we know they can, taking these 21-15 and 23-21, winning the title of Welsh men's ParaBadminton Double champions.

James would like to thank Cardiff Shadows Badminton Club for their continued support and coaching, as well as his colleagues in Barry that he plays with every Friday.

Pictured are James (left) and partner Stephen Davies.

JS

Winners for Vale trainers in England

THERE were wins for Vale trainers John Flint and Tim Vaughan on Monday (October 8).

Flint's four-year-old *Love And Be Loved*, partnered by William Cox, landed the Barry Gould Memorial Claiming Stakes at Windsor and Tim Vaughan's four-year-old *Tight Call*, ridden by champion jockey Richard Johnson, took the closing Visit All New Racecourses Com Standard Open NH Flat race at Stratford when coming home three lengths ahead of *ComeOnTheBull,* trained by Chepstow's Robert Stephens.

Love And be Loved, who had three and a half lengths to spare over *Hawridge Glory*, was returned at odds of 7-2 and *Tight Call* was a 9-2 chance.

Brian Lee

Bridgend Sports Mini and Junior Rugby Round-up

Bridgend Sports under-13s.

AT Bridgend Sports RFC, the under-10s, 11s and 13s were all at home whilst the 7s, 8s, 9s and 12s travelled to Cefn Cribwr, Nantyffyllon and Porthcawl.

The under-7s played Cefn Cribwr. Both sides turned on the entertainment and only one try separated the teams at the end with the Sports enjoying the win. New players Malaki Vaghn and Harley Morris made impressive debuts for the Sports. The leading try scorers were Isaac Davies and Dion Williams with four tries each and both players showed fantastic footwork to score.

However, the man of the match was awarded to Riley Lewis who has been consistent each week with his all-round performances.

The under-8s also played Cefn Cribwr. Both sides attacked to score an impressive 21 tries overall. Well done to all the players and coaches for another enjoyable morning of mini rugby and thanks are extend to Cefn Cribwr for being great hosts.

The Sports players of the week were Ollie Balmer for his running skills and Blair for a fine debut performance.

The final score read Cefn Cribwr 10 Bridgend Sports 11.

The Sports try scorers were Ollie Balmer (four), Ellis Kendall (three), Archie Hall (one), Matthew Griffiths (one), Blair (one) Gethin Roberts (one)

The under-9s played a physical Nantyffyllon side at their plush new 4G facility. Bridgend Sports took the early lead and then capitalised with a flurry of tries with some great running rugby.

Nanty came back strong toward the end with several unanswered tries, but the Sports took the win. Try scorers for the Sports were Rafferty Williams, Dan Flower and Max Hearing all with two tries apiece. Sam Heycock and Louis Payne also got over the try line with one each and Dan Perriman bagged four tries from his elusive running.

Bridgend Sports tackler of the week was Harry Trevelyan with Matthew Hussell's support play at the tackle area earning him this week's Star Player award.

The final score was Nantyffyllon 50 Bridgend Sports 60.

The under-10s lost their unblemished record this season to a superior Skewen side. Skewen were a well-drilled team who gave the under-10s a lesson in effective rucking. The Sports competed in all aspects of the game except the ruck area.

There were many positives for the Sports in defeat in that the team stuck at it and as the game progressed they improved on ball placement in the tackle. The Sports eventually defended their ruck ball more effectively and improved their line speed in defence later in the game to put pressure on their opponents, forcing them backwards with good tackling. Unfortunately, the home team were unable to get over their try line on the day.

There were many players who put in a "good shift" but the team player of the day award went to Hari Coulthard for good tackling, support play, rucking and tackling.

The under-11s, in contrast, secured a fine 40–25 win against Skewen. The Sports enjoyed a fine opening first 20 minutes playing some lovely rugby and putting in some great tackles with good rucking. The Sports try scorers were Madison Rees, Charlie Paget (two) and Gabrial Burroughs. Skewen got one try back

In the second period, the home team played a few players out of their preferred positions which caused a bit of disruption at first. Skewen kept pressuring the Sports into making some mistakes. Credit to Skewen for capitalising to score four tries but the Sports never-say-die attitude saw them comeback to tie the second period score, with tries from Gabrial Burroughs, Charlie Paget (two) and twinkle toes Madison Rees.

Alfie Lewis was player of the week for his attitude on the pitch. He played out of his normal position and adapted well.

The under-12s turned in another dominant performance as they defeated a fancied Porthcawl side 40–0 at the coast. They kept Porthcawl under pressure as the forwards set the platform for the backs to run.

The side are adapting well to the scrummage as the forwards produced their best performance of the season to date.

Waunarlwydd, were the visitors to the Bandstand Field to play the **under-13s**. Waunarlwydd are in their 118th year and have current internationals Liam Williams and Nicky Smith who are products of their successful mini and juniors' section.

Expectation was high for an open game of rugby as both clubs have a history of playing attractive flowing rugby. Sports declared their intent from the opening kick-off when flanker Connor Jones fielded the kick off, found space near the touch line and raced away to register the opening try.

Further first half tries were scored by the Sports through Ben King who was making a welcome return, following a season away from the game, Cian John, Chloe Gant and Mackenzie Dent with conversions added by Cian John and Jack Morgan. There were also notable contributions from Callum Jones and Dylan Morgan.

It was not all about attack however, there were also notable defensive performances from Megan Lewis, Iestyn John, Mason Balmer, Mollie Prance and Thomas Coles.

The second half was more of the same although "the Waun" did become more aggressive in their approach as they battled their way into field position but were unable to cross the home side's line.

The second half was harder work, but the product was the same as the home team scored further tries through Iestyn John, Will Ellis, Connor Jones, and Callum Lewis with conversions added by Ieuan Pilliner and Cian John. Chole Gant, Will Ellis, Theo Clarke and Ieuan Pilliner sustained the defensive effort whenever Waunarlwydd looked to pressure the home side.

The Sports registered 53 points without conceding a try.

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Seaview Angling Club catch the rays

THE past month has seen some good fish landed and healthier weights brought to the scales by Seaview Angling Club members.

Mickey, Aida, Kevin and Roger have been consistent top anglers while Paul Crook managed an impressive second place in the weekends' Seamaster competition.

In this hotly-contested match, several past and present Seaview Lads were in the top 20, including the overall winner John Bray and Joe Gallian.

September started with a fine cod of over 10lb for Kevin Salah but he was pipped into second place by Aida Harris on the day.

Some good rays have been included in catches since then and there should be plenty of species out there in the coming weeks. The signs look good so it's a good time to get the rods out and join the lads in the coming month – who knows what lurks beneath the surface?

On a sad note we say goodbye to another past member, Reg; but many of us will continue to use his hand built rods for years to come, so gone, but not forgotten.

Results for September 2:

1st, A Harris at 15lb; 2nd, K Salah at 11lb; 3rd, R Green at 5lb.

September 16:

1st, M Langford; 2nd, K Salah; 3rd, R Green.

September 30:

1st, M Langford at 7lb 11oz; 2nd, A Harris at 7lb; 3rd, R Green at 2lb 1oz.

Ammanford run in seven tries against Tondu

TONDU were on the receiving end of a seven try blitz at the Recreation Ground in Ammanford last Saturday.

Josh Tatchell and Steffan Phillips exchanged penalties to see Tondu lead 6-3 midway through the first half, before captain Chris Morris ran in a splendid try to put the home side into a lead that they would never relinquish. Phillips adding the conversation to make it 10-6 for the blue and blacks.

Ammanford then took control and in another fine move, left wing Steffan Howells finished emphatically before a little luck saw full back Ceri Rees score a breakaway try from his own 22 line; Phillips again slotted the conversion to give Ammanford a 22-6 half-time lead.

The second half saw the home side reduced to 13 men after two yellow cards for ruck offences, but Tondu could only manage one try with the two-man advantage, when Aled Jones scored out wide. Tatchell added the difficult conversion to give the visitors some hope.

This was short lived though, and when man of the match Steffan Howells finished off two fine moves to complete his hat-trick, the match was effectively over; Phillips landed both conversions.

Tondu managed a second try when centre Dai Povey broke the line and Tatchell slotted the conversion, but that only turned out to be an interlude, as the home side finished with tries from full back Ceri Rees and a fourth touchdown for Steffan Howells, with Phillips converting the latter.

The question must now be asked, where do Tondu go from here? With no game this weekend, they will surely take the time to take stock of their poor start to the season, and attempt to put things right for their visit to Brynamman a week on Saturday.

MIKE SULLY

Dave Povey's try for Tondu.
PHOTOGRAPHY BY GARETH ANTHONY

Ammanford	**46**
Tondu	**20**

Aled Jones heads for the line.
PHOTOGRAPHY BY GARETH ANTHONY

BRIDGEND ATHLETIC YOUTH PREVAIL IN NINE-TRY THRILLER

Bridgend Athletic Youth	**29**
Bryncethin Youth	**26**

BRIDGEND Athletic Youth welcomed the undefeated Ospreys East League leaders Bryncethin to Newbridge Field for a keenly-contested nine-try local derby thriller.

Bryncethin, having scored in the first minute led this game throughout, only to see a determined Athletic snatch victory in the last few minutes with their fifth try of the game to Bryncethin's four.

It was a great comeback – at one stage they were 21-5 down and recovered to win 29-26.

The visitors, with wind advantage, stunned the Athletic with a converted try in the opening minute.

Their height and weight advantage caused the Athletic problems, although Brandon Fooks and Ellis Bull battled hard in the scrums and lock Morgan Bennett was prominent throughout.

The Athletic were disrupted with an injury to outside half Matthew Hobby, with full back Levi Hallett stepping into the breach and Cameron Lewis moving to full back. The score was 7-0 until half time.

Bryncethin doubled this lead with a second try just after the restart, before the Athletic responded with a try from full back Cameron Lewis to reduce the deficit to 14-5. Bryncethin's response was to score their third converted try to stretch the lead to 21-5.

The Athletics' superior fitness came into play as the heavier Bryncethin eight started to tire.

Wing Owen Thomas finished off a handling move to cross in the corner. The same player finished off another handling bout by scooping a pass from around his ankle to again cross in the corner.

Hallett converted from the touchline to reduce the deficit to 21-17. With 10 minutes remaining, Bryncethin extended the lead to 26-17 with their fourth try.

Once again, wing Owen Thomas showed finishing power for his try hat-trick, again in the corner in a man of the match performance to make the score 26-22 to Bryncethin.

The Athletic were now in the ascendancy and from a five-metre scrum, Josh Tidy fed regular No 8 Will Barraclough, playing at centre, to power over for the fifth Athletic try.

Hallett converted, and for the first time the Athletic led. They withheld a final onslaught by Bryncethin to win their third game out of four league starts and move to joint fourth in the league.

Athletic coaches Paul Obbard and Paul Yardley were delighted with the committed performance by this mainly young side against a very powerful Bryncethin team.

They urged the players to make every effort to attend training this week to build on momentum, before a visit to new league leaders Kenfig Hill this Saturday October 13.

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18 18 MERCEDES A180d AMG Line 5dr, Mercedes warranty July 2021, Night & Exclusive pack, sat nav, panoramic roof, 217 miles, white, full leather £22995
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'It's funny *old* game' – say Barry Vets

The Barry over-55s team.

BARRY Vets welcomed Penybont to Leckwith Stadium for their first match in the Wales Veterans FA over 55s League and they kicked off their 2018/19 campaign with a priceless 2–1 win.

Barry's stars of yesteryear including Jimmy Blackie, Steve Hill, Mike Bobbett and 69-year-old Dickie Batt are still enjoying competitive football at the highest (veterans) level and this match was no exception.

Barry started strongly and their attractive football was justifiably rewarded after 10 minutes when a pin-point cross from Jeff White was headed home powerfully by the ever-youthful Bobbett, who out-jumped the defence for a fine opener.

The hosts continued to press – Jones, Hill, Blackie, Huish and Staddon dominating possession and on 20 minutes, a clumsy tackle by Penybont defender Keith McIntyre earned Barry a penalty kick, which Mark Jones duly converted to make it 2–0. Although the home side continued to control the half, they were unable to extend their lead before the interval.

The second half continued in a similar vein, Barry, now with the legendary Dickie Batt in their line-up, were the better side but were unable to convert their chances and in Dalton, Penybont had a player whose mobility and drive kept the visitors in the game.

His efforts were rewarded in the 50th minute when he found his colleague Hosey in the six-yard box where he scrambled home a header to make it 2–1.

The league's oldest player, Frank Lennon (70) also played the last 20 minutes and the match ended with Barry earning a valuable three points. N

The next match is away to Newport on October 21. Visit: *www.walesveteransfootball.co.uk*

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Cornelly man to compete in world championship

NORTH Cornelly's Paul Davies has been selected for the British team to compete in the World Para Table Tennis Championships in Slovenia from October 17-20.

Davies, 51, will compete in the men's class one category in which he is ranked ninth in the world.

He is an experienced international and was a bronze medallist at the London Paralympics in 2012.

Also in the 14-strong squad are three other Welshmen – Rob Davies from Brecon, Tom Matthews from Aberdare and Paul Karabardack from Swansea.

Michael Prosser

BARRIVALE BRIDGE CLUB LATEST RESULTS

THE results for the Barrivale Bridge Club for October 2 are as follows:

The men's and ladies pairs, session 1: The first three winners were first, Peter Millar and Adrian Tricke, 62.15 per cent; second, Dave Thomas and Denis Mottram, 60.76; third, Mark Roderick and Simon Richards 58.33.

The handicap winners were June Reeves and Alan Rees.

As always, new members are welcome at Barrivale Bridge Club and a partner may be arranged, if required. If you would like to join the club call 01446 418380, 01446 733425, 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Alternatively, inexperienced players or players who would like to brush up on their game may attend the following sessions: Fridays, 10am (doors open 9.45am) at the Pioneer Hall for lessons and assisted play; Thursday afternoons for assisted play from 1.30pm-4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry CF634AP.

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Vale of Glamorgan Senior Football League Round Up

CASEY Thompson's brace helped league leaders Barry Athletic to come away with the three points in the big top-of-the-table clash in the Premier Division.

Unbeaten Athletic inflicted Rhoose's first loss as they edged them 3-2 at the Athletic Ground.

Penarth Town continued their recent resurgence with a 2-0 victory over Sully Sports to keep Sully bottom of the league.

Cowbridge Town made it two in a row with a very impressive 4-2 away win over Island Marine.

Barry Saints and St Athan played out a 3-3 draw, a last gasp Barry Saints equaliser putting St Athan into the bottom two.

In Division One, Holton Road ground out a 2-1 victory over Cogan Coronation to maintain their 100 per cent record and domination over the division.

Holton Road are now 11 points ahead of the chasing pack. Cadoxton Barry went second with a 3-1 win over SP Billy although they have played a game or two more.

Tynewydd moved third as they produced a narrow 1-0 win over Cwm Talwg.

In Division Two, leaders Rhoose B saw their 100 per cent record disappear as St Athan B came from two goals down to secure a 3-2 triumph and move level on points at the top.

Barry Albion held Island Marine B to gain a good point and Barry Vikings got back to winning ways with a 4-0 away to Vale Madrid, that's five losses in a row for Vale after a good start.

Next week the premier divisions attention turns to the SWFA Cup while there is a full division one program with the match of the day looking like Cogan vs Cadoxton Barry.

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First female club captain hosts Past Captain's Day

The past (and present) captains.

AT the start of the year, St Athan Golf Club members elected Liz Thomas as their club captain, the first female in the club's 42 year history, an election which resulted in Liz hosting the annual Past Captain's Day.

This year 20 past captains attended the event, 16 of them managing to compete in the 18-hole Stableford competition before donning jackets and ties for the evening dinner and presentation.

Tradition dictates that the immediate past captain, Gary Bohun, sits at the opposite end of the table to the current captain and the others are seated in order of seniority, the earliest present being Bob Libby who took the helm in 1984.

Club caterer, Leanne Gordon and her team did the captain proud, providing a sumptuous three-course meal which was enjoyed by all.

The winner of the Stableford was Gary Bohun who carded a magnificent 40 points – retaining the trophy from last year. The 1995 captain Mike Clark, showing he can still execute some great shots, was runner-up with 37, with Roger Davidge 36, in third position. Roger was not dismayed though, as he and 1994 captain, JWG Morgan both collected an elusive brown envelope for carding a 'two'.

The evening culminated with 'absent friends' being remembered and good wishes being passed between everybody present, all agreeing that they are looking forward to the reunion next year.

St Athan Golf Club is proud of its history; a members' club which caters for green fee players, but particularly welcomes new social and playing members. Telephone 01446 751043 for further information.

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Liz Thomas presents the trophy to Gary Bohun.

Tondu Youth on top against young Bridgend Sports side

THIS was a confident 53-7 win by the Tondu Youth against a young, inexperienced Bridgend Sports youth side.

After a shaky start with scrums and penalties given away, captain Garin Standing opened up the scoring for Tondu, which was converted by Dan Thomas.

Sports came back with an interception try, scored and converted.

Nathan Archer answered that try with an interception try himself, converted by Dan Thomas.

Tondu began to dominate and James Murray got on the score sheet after a chip and chase to score in the corner.

Winger Bobby Bromley scored with some good footwork to beat defenders and finish in the corner, again converted by Dan Thomas. Sports showed spirit, but the Tondu defence was too strong.

At half time, Iestyn Davies, who was a key player in the match, bagged himself a try after a strong run in the second half.

Lewis Hawkins gained a yellow card due to a lot of team penalties, after being caught in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Even with 14 men, Tondu still managed to score with Morgan Creber scoring a try in the corner after a long run by Mason Jones who was caught short of the line. Substitute Nathan Bruce got on the score sheet after hitting a good angle.

The Sports 10 (a former Tondu player) broke through numerous defenders but was held up on the line by excellent scramble defence.

Number 8 Cael Chamberlain got under the sticks, was hard to take down all game and earned a well-deserved try after some strong carrying.

Finally, Bobby Bromley finished in the corner after another exciting run with some footwork and hand offs and beat the defenders to score in the corner again. Bobby had an amazing game, in defence and attack and put in huge hits on big players.

The Sports came at Tondu in the final minutes of the game when Tondu gave away numerous penalties, but the Sports were unable to score.

JOE ALLEN

Experienced opponents teach Celtic a tough lesson

Maesteg Celtic faced the realities of Division One when they visited an experienced Kenfig Hill side last Saturday.

Celtic competed well in the set pieces and defended valiantly on the gain line but had difficulty in dealing with the pace of the home team in broken play.

The Celtic front five of Ryan Shearan, Ashley Poole, Sean Lambert, Peter Kehoe and Nathan Jenkins held their own in the first half and began to dominate in the second period.

The back row of Ryan Turner, Jonathan Davies and captain Oliver Petty tackled manfully and successfully carried the ball at their opponents.

The visitors' half backs, Liam Healey and Harri Evans worked well together and used the ball well. The centres Lee Arthur and Kristian Jenkins closed down their opposite numbers in set play but had no answer to the quick long passes of home half backs Ton Briggs and Nicky Giles from turnovers. Celtic's back three of Ryan Lovett, Morgan Harris and Matthew Harris had little attacking ball and had to defend against the pace of their confident opponents.

Kenfig Hill opened the scoring with a penalty in front of the posts for offside five minutes into the game.

Celtic responded with a powerful break by flanker Jonathan Davies who took the ball into the 22. Scrum half Liam Healey passed quick ruck ball to wing Ryan Lovett who was stopped illegally short of the line.

Oliver Petty took the ensuing penalty quickly and ran in a try, and outside half Harri Evans converted.

Kenfig Hill regained the lead when Celtic lost the ball on halfway and the home team moved the ball swiftly to wing Lewis Morgan who ran around the defence to create a try which Giles converted.

They went further ahead when they found a gap in the Celtic defence and their three quarters interpassed at pace to touch down. Giles converted.

Celtic closed the gap when fullback Matthew Harris broke the home defence and made ground. He passed to flanker Ryan Turner who took the ball to the home red zone. The ruck was illegally killed and the penalty was kicked to touch. From the ensuing lineout captain Oliver Petty crossed for a touchdown.

The home side began the second half with a push-over try from a lineout and followed that with a 70-metre effort from a broken Celtic attack.

Celtic did not give up and exerted periods of pressure on the Kenfig hill line – only to turn over the ball and see their opponents' three quarters run the length of the field to score their fifth try.

The final score was Kenfig Hill 38 v 12 Maesteg Celtic. Captain Oliver Petty was awarded Celtic man of the match.

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Cowbridge Youth push Pontypridd all the way

Cowbridge Youth	**7**
Pontypridd Youth	**13**

ON Saturday, October 6 Cowbridge Youth lost their first league game of the season away to Pontypridd.

The game kicked off early as Pontypridd's firsts were playing at home later that afternoon. The early kick-off seemed to affect the Cowbridge team far more than the Pontypridd boys.

Pontypridd started the stronger, forcing Cowbridge into their own 22.

As usual, Cowbridge produced a huge defensive effort to stop the Pontypridd pack crossing their line. The younger Cowbridge pack more than stood their ground against a much larger Pontypridd pack.

Having conceded a number of yellow cards in the previous few games, the Cowbridge back-row seemed nervous around the breakdown, allowing the Pontypridd scrum half an armchair ride for most of the afternoon.

The game was evenly balanced when the Cowbridge captain and second row Langton-Cryer, made a great turnover just outside his own 22.

He popped the ball to Max Cunnington, the Cowbridge outside centre. With the Pontypridd defence caught by surprise, Cunnington showed a deceptive turn of speed to break through their first line of defence.

A simple side step and Cunnington was clear. A foot race ensued and he won the race to score a brilliant individual try. I Lewis converted.

Pontypridd responded well and pinned Cowbridge inside their own 22 with some close inter-play between forwards and backs. Once again, the Cowbridge defence held, only for the referee to award a penalty for offside in the back line.

Given how strong the Cowbridge defence had been, it was no surprise that Pontypridd took the three points.

With the game entering the final stages of the first half, Pontypridd attacked down the blind side and secured a scrum inside the Cowbridge 22.

From the attacking position, Pontypridd ran a simple switch move between their outside half and inside centre. The Cowbridge back row read the play and seemed to have halted the attack, only for the Pontypridd inside centre to release the ball and regather it to score under the posts.

The half time score was Pontypridd 10, Cowbridge 7.

The second half followed a similar pattern as the first, with both teams enjoying some good possession and territory but not troubling the score board.

Whenever Pontypridd kicked the ball away, the Cowbridge left winger, Jack Dixon looked dangerous gathering the loose ball. Dixon was sharp and always made excellent ground. Unfortunately, his pace took him away from any support and Pontypridd would often win the ball back.

With the score so close and scoring becoming a rarity, Cowbridge took the chance of three points having been awarded a penalty just inside the Pontypridd half. Ioan Lewis stepped up but unfortunately, his kick just missed the left hand post.

Cowbridge continued to attack and seemed to be getting the upper hand in terms of territory and possession. The boys managed to gain a fantastic attacking position with a scrum 10 metres from the Pontypridd line.

With the backs waiting to execute a training ground move, the forwards gave away another penalty at the scrum, allowing Pontypridd to clear their lines.

With the game entering its last few minutes, Cowbridge gave away another penalty at the scrum. This time the penalty proved a crucial turning point in the game and not only did the referee issue a yellow card, but Pontypridd slotted the three points. Cowbridge regained the ball from the kick off and forced Pontypridd into giving away a penalty just inside their own half.

Lewis produced a great kick to give Cowbridge an attacking line out five metres from the Pontypridd line. Once again, the backs were getting ready to execute a training ground move, only for the line out not to go to plan and Pontypridd cleared their lines to close the game out.

Final score, Cowbridge Youth 7, Pontypridd Youth 13.

GERWYN JONES

Cowbridge exit the Bowl after a 'stop-start' encounter with Penygraig

DESPITE heavy overnight rain, the pitch was in perfect condition as Cowbridge took on Penygraig in the second round of the WRU Bowl last Saturday.

As always when a referee is being assessed the penalty count shoots up and this was a game littered with penalties with some very good rugby in-between.

Despite early Cowbridge pressure the visitors were first on the scoreboard with – a penalty!

Penygraig were soon back in the points as their big pack drove to the line from a lineout for a converted try.

Despite the disruption of penalty after penalty, Cowbridge finally started to gain some momentum with captain Ross Gibbon and hooker Craig Boxall leading the charges.

Boxall was within inches of a try but held up, and then a penalty following a Penygraig yellow card went just wide.

Back came Penygraig with a drop goal but it was Cowbridge who had the final say of the first half as the outstanding Hywel Williams at scrum half broke from the base of a scrum to burst through the defence for a fine try, which brother Rhydian converted.

Half time: Cowbridge 7 Penygraig 13

Cowbridge started the second half with great intent. With Hywel Jenkins on for the impressive Tom Evans and Rhys Price replacing Dave Breed, Cowbridge ran everything.

Good forward combinations from Gibbon, Boxall, Dan Holder, Jon Bater and Ellis Reed kept Cowbridge on the front foot for much of the half with centres Toms Harrison and James running stongly.

Wings Will Williams and Harri Thomas both threatened with ball in hand but it took 25 minutes for the next score.

Gibbon won an excellent lineout with Holder and Reed driving on, and then back to the supporting Gibbon who romped over from 22 metres.

Penygraig replied quickly with a penalty and despite Cowbridge's every effort that was it.

Final score: Cowbridge 12 Penygraig 16

It was all pretty breathless stuff with both sides contributing to a very entertaining match. Cowbridge had plenty of opportunities but it just wasn't to be on the day.

However, there is an opportunity for revenge next Saturday as the boys travel to Penygraig for a league encounter, followed by Fairwater at home on the 20th, then it's home against Cefn Coed on the 27th.

RV/RK

Cowbridge Darts League round-up

ON Tuesday, October 2 a full programme of league matches in the Cowbridge Darts League was completed.

The Edmondes B stay top of the league with a 9-0 win over One Town Hall Square. However, the Highwayman Inn are staying close in second place with a 7-2 in over the Red Lion Inn.

The Victoria Inn beat the Edmondes A 5-4 and the Hairy Farmers beat the Llanharry 7-2. In the extra game, the Edmondes C beat the Farmers Arms 5-4. In this match, Dave Thomas (Farmers Arms) hit a 171 (3 x treble 19).

Present league standings are: Edmondes B (24 points), Highwayman Inn (21), Edmondes A (16), Victoria Inn (13), Farmers Arms (10), Hairy Farmers (9), Edmondes C (5), Llanharry (4), One Town Hall Square (3) and Red Lion Inn (3).

Next week (Tuesday, October 16) the Farmers Arms will host the semi-finals and final of the fours competition.

The semi-final line-up will first see the Hairy Farmers (Simon Reader, John Izzard, Rob McCaver, Colin Nower and John Burrows) taking on a team from the Edmondes B (Martin Thomas, Dai Thomas, Nick Smith, Luke Richards, Julie Cheal) and then the Victoria Inn (Jake Warren, Graham Jones, Tom Gibbs-Murray, Katie George, Steve Davey) taking on the other team from the Edmondes B (Martin Gaffney, Paul Butcher, Dave Cheal, Eddie Pike, Frank Butler).

All matches start at 8.15pm and spectators are welcome. For further information e-mail Paul a t cowbridgedarts@gmail.com, up-to-date information can be found on the website: www.darts.apsn.co.uk.

PJT

Kings Head A team take the lead in Division One battle in Llantwit Major Darts League

THE Llantwit Major and District Darts League season started in early September and has played out four league matches and two cup competitions (down to the semi-final stage) so far.

This season all our league and cup competitions are being played on a Monday and Tuesday night.

Season's highlights so far: Karl Marsh 180, Gareth Davies 180, Callum Bracey 180, Steve Randall 180, Glyn David 180, Phil Spickett 180, Aaron Keeler 180, Gaynor Dale 165, Mark Jeffery 136 out, Chris Burford 130 out, Glyn David 110 out, Jock Adamson 100 out, Karl Marsh 97 out, Mo Phillips 96 out, Phil Spickett 16 dart leg, Ryan Gratton and Caz Adamson 17 dart leg, Callum Bracey 17 dart leg, Beaver 17 dart leg, Luke Richards 19 dart leg, Simon and Caz 20 dart leg, Dilwyn Evans 21 dart leg.

Mixed pairs semi-finalists: Becky Evans and Allan Morgan (GC), Sheryn Islip and Dilwyn Evans (L & F), Tanya Daw and Mike Gray (RCA2), Sandra Jones and Marc Jeffery (RCA2).

Alec McGaw semi-finalists: Peter Evans / Steve Davie / Dai Sawyer (KHA1), Iain Austin / Mike Gray / Ben Rees (KHA1), Dai Randall / Ray Procope / Bill Gallacher (KHA1), Glyn David / Dilwyn Evans / Lou Dickens (L&F C2).

'C' League Table: Rugby Club 35, Shoes St Athan 'C2' 31, Lamb and Flag 'C2' 31, Shoes St Athan 'C1' 27, Boverton Castle 26, Lamb and Flag 'C1' 24, Kings Head 'C2' 14, Tudor Tavern 'C2' 14, Kings Head 'C1' 14, Tudor Tavern 'C1' 4.

'A' League Table: Kings Head 'A1' 37, Rugby Club 'A1' 29, Golden Cups 'A1' 28, Golden Cups 'A2' 28, Shoes St Athan 'A2' 22, Sportsmans Rest 22, Wenvoe Arms 20, Lamb & Flag 20, Kings Head 'A2' 18, Rugby Club 'A2' 17, Shoes St Athan 'A1' 9, Rugby Club 'A3' 8, Tudor Tavern 6.

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ST ATHAN LEFT RUEING 10-MAN BARRY'S LATE EQUALISER

ST ATHAN fought back from two goals down but were denied by a last gasp equaliser in the battle of the Saints.

Phil Morgan, Coree Roberts and Leigh Lewis notched the St Athan goals.

Barry Saints took advantage of a lackadaisical St Athan to race into an early two-goal lead. In fact, the home side should have increased their lead before St Athan got their act together.

Jamie Butcher had one chalked off for offside before Phil Morgan pulled a goal back right on half time.

In the second half, St Athan started well and youngster Coree Roberts looked bright and won a penalty when his cross was adjudged to have been handled. Morgan stepped up but saw his spot kick saved but Roberts was quickest to react to put the ball in for the leveller.

Barry Saints soon found themselves down to 10 men but that seemed to galvanise them and the game ebbed and flowed.

Butcher cleared one off the line after a good home attack before Roberts saw an effort well-saved by the Barry Saints keeper.

Then, from a free kick awarded on the edge of the area, Leigh Lewis stepped up to whip the ball around the wall and past the keeper to put St Athan in front.

With Barry Saints pushing hard to bring the game level, St Athan had chances to further extend their lead on the counter attack but just couldn't find that final ball.

But just when St Athan thought the three points were in the bag, Barry Saints popped up to equalise as the ball was played to their player on the edge of the area and he fired low into the bottom corner.

St Athan were denied at the death in the most cruel way, making it three games without a win.

The second team, however, produced a fine result. Two goals down against top of the league Rhoose B, who heralded a 100 per cent record coming into the game, St Athan B fought back with goals from grizzled veteran Colin George and a double from Sean Lucas.

A tremendous result that puts the seconds into second, level on points with Rhoose at the top. '**HD**